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## Council curbs numbers at No10



■ **DISMAYED:** Owner Paul Hindes from No 10 has had to cancel live music and DJ nights

RESTRICTIONS on a Bridport bar will see music and youth programmes scrapped in the town amid accusations of drunken behaviour and overcrowding.

West Dorset District Council licensing committee met to discuss a number of sanctions and proposals to curb unruly behaviour at the No. 10 café.

Amendment to the café's licence include people being banned from entering the venue after 1am and the number of customers limited to 60.

The licensing review was held amid concerns over anti-social behaviour and drug taking at the East Street venue - claims vehemently denied by owner Paul Hindes.

Mr Hindes said he felt he was getting the blame for incidents, which were nothing to do with his café, but happened outside the venue.

"We have only had seven incidents in the last two years. We have been part of pub watch for nine years and work closely with the police," he said. "But we have got to have a think about continuing that because I didn't realise that by reporting incidents outside our venue they became our responsibility."

"The police raided the place before Christmas and they didn't find any drugs or underage drinkers, but I'm sure they will plague us, they've not let us alone all weekend."

The venue is a hot spot for local bands and DJs, with a recent Facebook

by Paul Crompton

campaign gathering over 1,000 online supporters.

However, due to the restrictions Mr Hindes has cancelled the live music event on Tuesdays and the DJ on Saturday nights.

Mr Hindes said he did not run the venue for profit, with any money used to support the music and youth programmes and given to charity.

This was the first time the café was subjected to a licence review, and was a direct result of an application by Dorset Police under the Prevention of

Crime and Disorder and Public Safety licensing objectives

A WDDC spokesman said: "The sub-committee has considered each condition individually and consider them necessary in order to promote Public Safety and Prevention of Crime and Disorder

"However, the matter will no doubt be brought to the authority's attention for a further review if there are any more reasons for concern established."

■ AMENDMENTS to the café's licence also included: Installation of effective CCTV with a minimum of 28 days continuous recordings.

A minimum of one SIA registered door supervisor deployed at the premises from 10pm until the close of business.

All staff to be trained upon induction and at least every six months thereafter, regarding their lawful and social responsibilities for the sale of alcohol.

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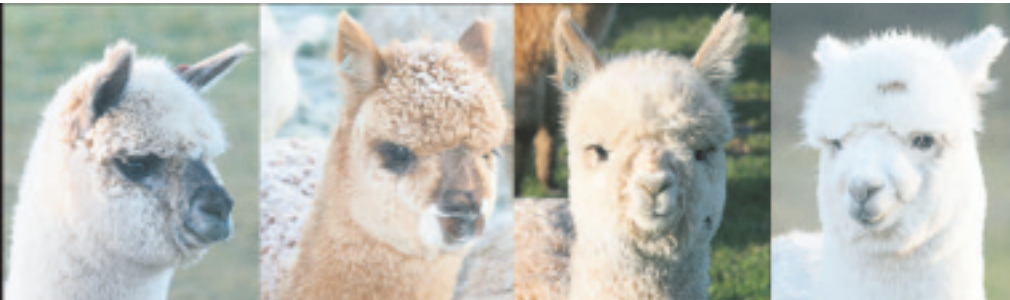
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**ANDREW** Blake has been involved with local amateur dramatics from the age of seven.

Next week he takes to the stage as Rolo in Burton Bradstock's pantomime *Goody Two Shoes*, his fourth production with the group.

Andrew will be familiar to many for his youth work, with the Dorset Library service and his volunteer work at the Cancer research UK shop in Bridport.

Andrew started as a Saturday assistant at Bridport Library at 16 and has worked his way up to become a Reading and Learning Librarian, working to encourage young people to use libraries across the county.

Andrew's love of amateur dramatics began when he joined Theatrama as a child. Since then he has performed a number of shows with Bridport Operatic Workshop and productions with his school were taken to the Edinburgh Festival.

He later went on to study Drama and English at the University of the West of England in Bristol.

Andrew's other passion is for travelling and he has visited Russia, Lithuania, Sri Lanka to name a few, since taking part in the Bridport Youth Club Japanese Exchange at the age of 17.

### ■ WHAT do you like most about West Dorset?

I particularly love living within walking distance of the beach and it's a great piece of coastline to walk along. I also love the range of cultural events and activities we have in Bridport and the surrounding towns and the fact that people really get involved in these and make them so successful and great fun.

### ■ WHAT is your favourite show you have been involved with?

I would say my favourite play was "A Murder is Announced" with Burton Bradstock Players. It was an Agatha Christie murder mystery which was a great mix of humour and suspense.

### ■ WHAT are your best and worst moments on stage?

My worst moment on stage was probably one performance of "A Murder is Announced"; my costume was a thick woolly jumper and a long university scarf. It was on during a bit of a heat wave and between the costume, the weather and the hot lights, I dripped my way through the performance. I think we still put on a good show but it's certainly the most uncomfortable I've ever been on stage.

My favourite moment on stage was probably "Love Marilyn" at the Edinburgh Fringe. Not only was it a great experience to be up in Edinburgh at festival time, but two thirds of the way through our run a lot of our props were stolen. For many people that would have been the end of the show but actually it brought the group together and encouraged us to put on an even better performance. The sense of camaraderie on stage was a really great feeling.

### ■ WHO are the best actors/actresses you have worked with?



I've really enjoyed every show I've been in and think I've worked with some really great people. I'm currently really enjoying working with my comic partner Gill East, who plays Polo to my Rolo in "Goody Two Shoes".

### ■ WHO has impressed you in this year's pantomime?

We have three young people in big important roles: Amy Van Zyl (who plays Goody), Tom Wilson (who plays Goody's brother Teddy) and Ollie Turner (who plays the Elf Cobbler). They are all great as their characters and are really good fun to work with.

### ■ DO you prefer to play the hero or the villain?

I've been lucky to play some great characters, both heroes and villains and I would say that as long as the character is written well I like playing either. It's often said

that baddies have more fun but I've had great fun playing goodies and I am loving playing the slightly incompetent but well meaning Rolo.

### ■ WHO would be your three dream guests at a dinner party and why?

I think I would like to have Terry Pratchett, Suggs from Madness and Michael Palin. Terry Pratchett was the first author I ever really got hooked on and I still am. Suggs is a great singer and Michael Palin is one of the funniest actors you could hope to see. He's worked with some great stars and has visited some amazing places in his documentaries for the BBC. All three of these, I think, would provide a varied and interesting conversation.

### ■ IF you won the lottery how would you spend the money?

After all the noble and charitable deeds I would of course do, including treating Katherine and my family. I would like to use some of it to see even more of the world. I would love to travel to Egypt and also to see the Inca trails in Peru. A Season Ticket at Stamford Bridge would of course be a priority. On a local level I would love to ensure the continuation of Bridport's Japanese Exchange Programme as I feel it was an amazing experience for me at 17-years-old and I think many other young people could benefit from being involved with it.

### ■ WHAT was the last book you read, CD you listened to and film you watched?

The last book I read was *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins; I like to read a lot of fiction for young adults as part of my job and this was a great story satirising reality television whilst encouraging people to question authority and their own morals. The last CD I listened to was Easy Star's *Lonely Hearts Dub Band* it is a cover of the entire Sgt Pepper album but each song is a done as a reggae version. The last film I saw was *Toy Story 2* in 3D.

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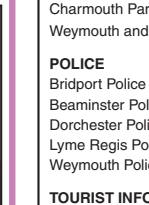
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## Nursery staff with 'no option' but to evacuate building

A BRIDPORT nursery is set to return to their premises next week after they were forced to abandon it for three weeks amid safety fears.

Sunny Days nursery was left with "no option" but to leave the building after an electrician said he could not guarantee the safety of the 150 children and staff.

by Paul Crompton

However, landlords Palmers Brewery said they had the West Street building thoroughly inspected and found no evidence of danger from the electrical system.

Sunny Days director Joy Scadden said she had taken the decision to

leave the building to ensure the safety of the children, who range from three months to 11 years old.

The nursery had relocated to premises in Dorchester during the closure, which Mrs Scadden said had been a huge

disruption to the group.

Although a commissioned report stated no evidence was found to substantiate Mrs Scadden's claims the building was closed for repairs from February 8th.

The problems involved alleged water ingress into the electrical system, with Palmers making repairs to the roof and a

leaky downpipe as part of scheduled works before the nursery closed.

Nigel Jones of Chesterton Humberts, property agents for Palmers said: "Palmers were surprised and concerned to hear that Sunny Days believed there was a problem.

"As a responsible land-

lord, the company takes all safety matters very seriously. After a prompt and detailed inspection, they were relieved but not surprised to find that the building is not unsafe."

Sunny Days is expected to return to the building on February 22nd.

### Police appeal for witnesses

BRIDPORT Police are appealing for witnesses following a theft from The Laundrette in South Street.

The robbery took place at around 2pm on February 8th and an unknown amount of money was stolen. It is believed a key or similar implement was used to gain access to the money. On February 9th a second unsuccessful attempt was made at around 1:30pm. Police are currently advising the owner of the property on improving security.

The thief is described as being male and wearing a distinctive hat. If you witnessed the incident or any suspicious activity around the time of the theft then the police would like to hear from you.

If you have any information regarding this incident then please call Dorset Police on 01305 222222 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

### Who do you think you are?

A SERIES of learning services aimed at providing guidance on tracing family roots will begin in Bridport this Friday (February 19th).

The 'Tracing Ancestors Online' event takes place at Dorset County Council's centre in St Andrew's Road. Further dates will include the Prince of Wales Road Centre, Dorchester on March 9th and 16th and March 20th and 27th, again at Dorchester. For more information contact Dorset Adult Learning on 0800 262648 or visit [www.dorsetforyou.com/adulted](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/adulted).

### Teenagers' big fundraiser

A BIG hearted Bridport teenager is set to raise money today for earthquake victims in Haiti by completing a gruelling five kilometre run followed by a one kilometre swim.

Sporty Sir John Colfox student Katie Neame, 13, will be joined by her friend Chantel Blackledge, also 13, in a bid to raise £460 for Shelterbox.

Donations can be left at Bridport Medical Centre marked for the attention of Dr Robert Neame. Donors are asked to leave their details to enable the girls to claim Giftaid.

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■ WE'LL DO OUR BEST: Members of 1<sup>st</sup> West Bay Sea Scouts help a shopper with their packing

■ DAA-DAH!: Bridport Youth Dance members strike a pose as they help shoppers pack their groceries

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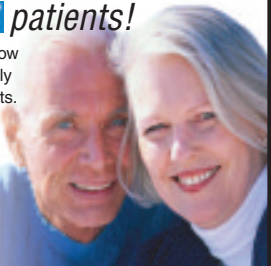
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## Council staff raise £750 for air ambulance service

THE Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance have received a funding boost from the district council to help keep them in the air.

Staff at the West Dorset District Council, led by Chairman Councillor Ronald Coatsworth, raised £750 for the service.

He said: "I would like to thank all staff and fellow councillors who rallied round to help raise funds for this worthy cause.

"Staff organised book sales, cake sales and arranged sponsored events. A quiz was also arranged to generate cash. I would like to thank everyone who worked hard to help raise this money.

"I have chosen to raise funds for the air ambulance because it is a local cause which regularly benefits people across West Dorset."

It costs £3,800 a day to operate the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance or about £1.4 million a year. The air ambulance receives no government funding and relies entirely on fundraising and sponsorship.

Paul Owen, Air Crew Paramedic, said: "It is great to receive support from local people. We are a busy service and get called out to an average of three jobs a day.

"About a third of our calls are to road traffic accidents and we make a difference because we can get injured people to the right hospital

much faster than a land ambulance. Recently we had to rush a patient to hospital in Bath, which would have taken a land ambulance 45 minutes, but we got there in less than ten. This makes a difference and can save lives."

Annette Plaistow-Trapaud, Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance fundraising co-ordinator, said: "I would like to thank West Dorset District Council staff and councillors for raising money for the air ambulance.

"We pride ourselves on having an outstanding air ambulance emergency service. In the decade since our launch we have attended nearly 7,000 incidents - many of them life-saving. The ambulance answers emergency calls 365 days of the year so our fundraising has to be constant.

"We are a local charity and unlike many national charities rely on local support, so help from local organisations like West Dorset District Council is vital."



■ **FLYING HIGH:** Annette Plaistow-Trapaud (air ambulance fundraising co-ordinator), Cllr Ronald Coatsworth (district council chairman) and Paul Owen (aircrew paramedic)

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**SPECIAL COLLECTORS AUCTION MONDAY 10TH MAY 2010 - ENTRIES NOW BEING ACCEPTED**



# New taxi scheme will link Eype with Bridport

A NEW shared taxi scheme connecting Eype with Bridport is launched today (Wednesday).

Villagers in Eype have been without any public transport for a number of years.

The West Dorset Partnership, a group of voluntary, community, public and private sector organisations that works to improve quality of life in the district, recently identified the community as being in need of links to Bridport for shopping and health care.

As a result, Dorset County Council agreed to set up a shared taxi scheme similar to one already running in the village of Sydling St Nicholas.

The taxi will start from Eype at 9:30am on Wednesdays and Saturdays and travel to a number of locations in Bridport, including the hospital and health centre.

It will return from Bridport at 12.30pm. A fare of £1.50 will be charged each way but holders of West Dorset District Council concessionary fare passes will be able to use them on the service.

The taxi must be booked in advance by phoning 0845 2410 117 at least an hour before the departure time.

The booking line is open between 8:40am and 5:20pm Monday to Thursday and until 3pm on Fridays. The Saturday journeys will need to be booked on Fridays.

The service will initially be funded for a one-year trial period. Passenger numbers and comments will be monitored in order to review the service and decide whether to keep it going long-term.

West Dorset Partnership officer, Maria Clarke, said: "This scheme offers residents of Eype opportunities to get to shops and health care and is in line with the objectives of the partnership."

## Rare sighting for twitchers on first outing



**RARE SIGHTING:** Members of the newly formed birdwatching group of Bridport & District U3A at Radipole Lake, Weymouth

TWITCHERS from the Bridport & District U3A spotted one of the West Country's rarest birds on their first outing as a group.

The newly formed bird watching group took a visit to the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds' reserve at Radipole Lake, Weymouth where they saw a pair of marsh harriers flying back and forth across the lake.

"With only three pairs in the whole of the West Country they are very rare," said group leader Pam Worth. We were very lucky to see them."

Another spot for the 12 members of the group who went on the trip was a little egret.

The bird watching group plans to make similar outings each month, usually ending in a pub lunch. It is one of 15 study groups set up since U3A was launched at a meeting in Bridport last month.

Other groups are: architecture and art history; book club; bridge; English literature and theatre visits; fossil hunting; French conversation; advanced French conversation; guitar; homeopathy for beginners; the world of Jane Austen; landscape archaeology; meditation; musical appreciation; and nutrition for optimum health.

U3A, which stands for the University of the Third Age, is a self-help organisation for people no longer in full time employment, providing educational, creative and leisure opportunities for its members.

Groups' co-ordinator Lesley Archibald said: "We're delighted at the excellent take-up of members signing up to join and we're confident that lots more groups will form as we grow."

For further information on study groups, contact Lesley Archibald on 01308 456079.

For details on how to join U3A, call Diana Coleridge

on 01308 424431.

The group meet on the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Christian Fellowship Hall, Bridport. There will be a talk entitled "What really is a polluted river?" by Professor Clive Kennedy at their next meeting on February 23rd.

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# Team of volunteers get to work preparing nature reserve for spring

A TEAM of 20 volunteers joined Dorset Countryside Rangers and Dorset Wildlife Trust staff helped get a Bridport nature reserve ready for spring.

The group cleared paths, coppiced trees and created glades at Jellyfields nature reserve, enhancing it for both wildlife and people.

Emily Brown, of

by Tom Glover

Dorset Wildlife Trust, said: "This was a tremendous effort from all involved and we would like to say a big thank you very much to everyone who came and helped out."

Lawrence Weston, of Dorset Countryside, which manages this

woodland site, added: "It was a superb day where the local community got together and made a real difference to this local nature reserve."

"It's great that so many local people took an interest and we hope you continue to help us manage this lovely site in the

future."

If you'd like to get involved in volunteering for nature conservation in West Dorset, phone Maurits Fontein at Dorset Wildlife Trust on 07825 311686 for details of opportunities.

For more information about Jellyfields nature reserve, phone Lawrence Weston on 01305 251228.

## Help needed at Julia's House

JULIA'S House are appealing for volunteers to help at their Bridport shop.

Volunteers do not need retail experience as full training is given.

People that can spare a morning or an afternoon a week are needed either to work in the shop or to deliver and collect items in their own vehicle.

"The qualities that we look for in our shop volunteers are enthusiasm and dedication," said Julia's House retail manager, Ann Scovell.

"Our shops are great fun to work in, all our shop teams are very friendly and lovely friendships are formed."

"Of course it is also immensely rewarding to know that you are helping to care for very sick children."

If you would like to help, please call Julia's House volunteer co-ordinator, June Maidment, on 01202 607400.



■ READY FOR SPRING: Volunteers, Dorset Wildlife Trust staff and Dorset Countryside Rangers at Jellyfields, near Bridport  
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# Bridport's Christmas tree festival raises record sum



**RECORD YEAR:** Church minister Rev Kath Baldwin, Parkinson's disease local branch committee members Penny Saunders, Maureen Fournier, Linda Gould, Phillippa King and the chairman of the United Reform Church organising committee, Bryan Chant

A RECORD sum was raised at the 12th annual Bridport Christmas Tree Festival, taking the total raised to over £50,000.

An estimated 6,000 people descended upon the United Church in Bridport and visitors came from Australia, New Zealand, Canada, America as well as several European countries to see the spectacle.

The festival had 65 illuminated trees on display each having been decorated by a different charity, church or organisation.

This year's record total was £6,300; £1,125 of this total was presented to the church's nominated charity, the Parkinson's Disease Society's Research Fund.

Since the annual festival started in 1998 more than £51,000 has been raised charity.

The Bridport and District Branch of the Parkinson's Disease Society accepted their cheque on behalf of the society's research fund at a church coffee morning on Wednesday of last week.

The Parkinson's branch meets monthly to support people affected by Parkinson's.

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## LIONS GET BUSY

A BUSY calendar of fundraising events kicked off for one Bridport club with the donation of £250 toward relief efforts in tragedy stricken Haiti.

Members of the town's Lions Club, in conjunction with the Haitian Lions, have provided immediate needs, water, food and medical supplies for 1,200 people near Port au Prince.

The aid follows members agreeing to help an orphanage in Belarus with essential repairs and to provide books, pens and pencils for poor children in Tanzania.

The club are now looking forward to the fundraising season and are hoping new members will be encouraged to join.

Vice-president of the club, Cathy Lay-Flurrie, said: "It's great for meeting friends and knowing that you are doing some good as part of the largest volunteer institution in the world."

"It's a great community; we joined four years ago and now have lots of friends, there's a great fellowship."

The group meets twice a month, once to decide on fundraising issues and once for a social meal.

The Lions will be setting up a stall in Bucky Doo Square over the coming months and will also be at the Charter Fair, Melplash Show and the RNLI Fun Day at West Bay.

An Easter egg draw for the National Children's Trust will also be held.

Members also recently enjoyed a trip to the Bridport panto and look forward to a proposed social event, skittles and supper.

The club is hosting an open morning on April 11th at the Salt House in West Bay, so various tasks were allocated.

To find out more about any of the above contact John Lay-Flurrie 01308 897281 or visit [www.bridportlionsclub.org](http://www.bridportlionsclub.org)



## Breakfast goers clean up with top prize

■ OVER 300 people attended the tenth annual farmhouse breakfast at Whitchurch Village Hall. Pictured above are organisers Sue and Kay Johnson with a Hetty vacuum cleaner, kindly donated by Numatics International of Chard as the top prize in the draw, which was won by Mr and Mrs D Cowling of Hawkchurch. A total of £1,400 was raised for the village hall and £400 for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.

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## The Three Cups: Is it a question of democracy?

Re: The Three Cups  
Hotel, Lyme Regis

WEST Dorset District Council sadly classified my letter to Mr Clarke as "a complaint."

WDDC won't attend an open session with Lyme residents, working only with 'Save Three Cups as Hotel Group' (good), and town council (all absent from April's Bridport public meeting, all but one absent from June's Lyme meeting).

In June, all 235 attendees voted for compulsory purchase; next day 1,397 of 1,400 people signed a compulsory purchase petition.

Anyone feel it's 'limited democracy' meeting the town council but not being prepared to openly talk with hundreds of residents?

When I reported the crumbling Three Cups' condition to a WDDC meeting, March 23rd 2009, an officer said curtly, "When we sent someone down there a few months ago, everything was perfectly alright!"

When I asked if Palmers should act thereon, he uttered: "That's not Palmers' current business objective".

I therefore called-in the Health and

Safety Executive, forcing urgent WDDC safety action. Vital, as guttering had previously crashed 70ft onto a public area and a tile had ripped into a neighbour's car.

Urgent structural repairs with scaffolding followed, emergency railings, and later more structural internal work.

Yet more work was required later, some implemented. I believe our whistle-blowing was severely resented, and incredibly, May 21st, I was actually banned from further direct contact with conservation / building control officers!

One reason for my approximately weekly email to WDDC - their stated complaint - was... I hardly ever received clear answers on council's powers / actions. I still am unclear on these.

Today the Cups' condition is "severely dilapidated".

I am sending WDDC some real complaints / questions now on other questions ignored.

If Community Alert writes less to 'Letters' in future, the fight for true facts / fairness / democratic expression nevertheless accelerates!

JOHN GRANTHAM  
Community Alert

## Village store back in the limelight

THE success of Thorncombe Village Shop as a community-run enterprise has certainly highlighted a trend which is sweeping the country as rural villages fight for their independence.

The store, which reopened last October following two and half years of hard work by the villagers, has been attracting plenty of media attention, and is due to appear on prime time television again next month in a programme called *Power to the People*.

Presenter Michael Portillo, the former Conservative politician and cabinet minister, and his team visited the shop recently to interview Mike Carr and Roger Greaves and to film the shop and café for the documentary.

The BBC team even stayed to a slap-up lunch in the café and seemed to love every minute of it, to say nothing of Thorncombe as a whole, which they spent the afternoon filming.

Roger and Mike reported that they have

never drunk so much coffee in their lives; the Barista machine going flat out, as take after take was done.

What struck the Thorncombe shop team was how impressed the die-hards from London were at the whole concept of the shop; that it was conceived by the efforts of the whole Thorncombe community for that community, providing a win-win situation for the villagers and the surrounding businesses and farmers.



TIME TO CHAT: Micheal Portillo (left) talks with Mike Carr and Roger Greaves

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# St Mary's pupils celebrate half-term

CHILDREN at St Mary's School marked the half term break with a day of crazy hair and Chinese celebrations. Pupils decorated their hair with feathers, balloons and braids and raised £119 for school funds in the process.

The day also marked the end of the school's project on China. The project was linked to Mr Sales' trek of the Great Wall of China and the Chinese New Year. Mr Sales has so far raised £3,000 for the

Weldmar Hospice Trust in Dorchester with his trek, which starts on April 19th. Over the term children have created terracotta

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warriors, dragon models and Chinese wish fish. On Thursday of last week each class completed a range of activities including artwork, Chinese cooking, Chinese games and construction of Chinese landmarks.

The reception class did a Chinese dragon dance around the school and were visited by year six children who taught them what they had learnt about the country.

The reception class



**SURREAL STYLING:** Year four pupils Arthur, Toby and Tara show off their crazy hair



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■ MAKE A WISH: Teachers for the day and reception children at year five's Chinese Wish Fish



■ CHINA IN THEIR HANDS: Kim, Joe, Star and Megan with their terracotta warriors



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# MAGNA ELECT NEW VICE-CHAIR

THE board of Dorchester-based Magna Housing Association has elected a new vice chair, Anne-Marie Vincent.

The change follows the retirement of former board chair, Ray Bugler, whose who has been succeeded by his vice chair, Ian Bullock.

Ms Vincent brings with her a wealth of experience.

Much of her time was spent in a senior policy role at the Commission for Racial Equality (CRE) in London where she was able to influ-

ence both MPs and cabinet ministers.

She said: "I am thrilled to have been appointed to the position of vice chair.

"I believe passionately in social justice, and in the South West it is getting harder and harder for people to afford to buy their own homes.

"I want to make sure that we provide as much housing as we can for people in this area and that it is of a high standard."

She continues, "My whole reason for being

is to make a difference to people's lives and I firmly believe that in this role I can make that difference by improving the places where they live."

When the CRE closed in September 2007, she chose to move to the South West because of family connections and set about working just as hard as ever for worthy causes in the area.

Ms Vincent is a familiar face out and about in Dorset.

Amongst other things she is chair of the South West Multi-cultural

Network, co-chair of the Dorset Forum for Equality and Diversity, director at Bridport and West Dorset Sports Trust, school governor at two schools and is involved with the Local Area Partnership at Bridport.

Ms Vincent said: "I have been very impressed by the staff I have met at Magna; they truly believe that our customers, including our residents, are at the heart of everything we do.

"I hope that over the coming years I hear our

residents say more and more often that they are proud to be a Magna tenant."



■ ANNE-Marie Vincent, new vice chair for Magna Housing Association Board

## Brit Valley Rotary support awareness to stop polio

NEXT week Rotary International Britain and Ireland (RIBI) launch their 'Thanks For Life' campaign which this year aims to raise funds for their 'Stop Polio Now' project.

The Rotary Club of Brit Valley aim to do their bit by holding a second hand bookstall in Bucky Doo Square on Saturday (February 20th), and then selling bric-a-brac in Beaminster next week.

The Bugler family have kindly offered the use of their old showrooms in Hogshill Street so that the club can set up a shop during the week February 22nd to 27th.

The winning pictures from the recent RIBI Young Photographer of the Year competition held at Beaminster School will also be on display in the window together with posters and shocking statistics depicting the devastating effects of polio in a bid to get the public behind Rotary's last push to stamp out polio

from the world.

The window of The Mortgage Centre in West Street, Bridport, will also carry the same posters and information.

John Dobinson, Rotary Club of Brit Valley president, said: "This is a wonderful opportunity for our children to learn about issues facing children in other parts of the world and to help those that are less fortunate than themselves.

"Rotary has been involved in this fight for 25 years and the world is so close to being free from polio for good, thanks to the joint hard work of organisations and governments.

"How fantastic for a town, individual, business or organization to join the fight and be able to say, 'I helped to wipe out a disease for only the second time in history, after smallpox. I stopped children from dying - I helped change the world'."

## Citizens Advice Bureau to open young person's service

WHILST this year's survey by Bridport Citizens Advice Bureau shows that 98 per cent of their customers are satisfied with their service they have also detected a lack of clients under the age of 21 using their facilities, and are recruiting younger volunteers to help correct this situation.

The annual survey carried out in January to find out if CAB are providing the service that meets the needs of their community, showed that even though the bureau has experienced higher levels of demand recently, they were pleased to see that of those who expressed an opinion, 98 per cent were either satisfied or very satisfied with the service they received.

Of the personal callers to the bureau 99 per cent waited less than 15 minutes to be seen, which has proved the benefits of the recruitment of advisors undertaken during the last year.

Telephone callers were

also canvassed and those results showed that 69 per cent of them had managed to get through at the first attempt, which is way ahead of national averages.

However one area of concern was the fact that there were no clients under the age of 21.

This is a disturbing feature that manager, Martin Paley, is keen to address.

On assessing the results of the survey, he said, "We have been aware for some time that this is one group of people we are not reaching out to.

"It maybe that younger

people have an impression that we are a bunch of old fogeys who are out of touch with problems relating to them.

"In order to correct this, we have been recruiting younger advisors and hope to make an announcement very soon regarding a young persons' service here in Bridport."

A major milestone in the bureau's progress has been achieved with the acquisition of the upstairs part of the building they occupy in South Street, and this is currently being equipped.



## Prepare yourself for hike in Council Tax

DORSET residents living in band D properties are to face tax hikes of over seven per cent in the forthcoming year.

Dorset County Council members unanimously agreed on the 2.97 per cent hike for 2010/11, which means significant service cuts over the next 12 months will be avoided.

It brings the county council's charge for a band D property to £1,168.29 - an extra £33.72 a year.

The rise coincides with members of the Dorset Police Authority agreeing to a 4.38 per cent increase in its part of the Council Tax, which represents an extra £7.56 a year.

This will be added to precept charges from district / borough councils, town / parish councils, Dorset Police and Dorset Fire Authority to give the total council tax amount.

The council has set a net budget of £278.4 million, an increase of 3.95 per cent on 2009/10 to provide vital funding support for under-pressure frontline services.

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# Big turnout for youth parliament elections

SCHOOLCHILDREN from Dorset voted in their thousands last week as the county elected its Members of the UK Youth Parliament (MYPs).

Over 13,200 youngsters headed for the ballot boxes to choose who they wanted to represent them and last Thursday the results were announced at County Hall in Dorchester.

As well as running their own campaign, all 16 candidates produced video manifestos, which were shown around schools and youth centres.

Forty-one schools and learning centres across Dorset became polling stations for the day with booths, ballot boxes and papers helping generate nearly 26,000 votes from pupils across the county.

The first member elected onto the parliament was 13-year-old Ben Tubbs of Ferndown Upper School who received 4,548 of the total votes.

Elouise Mitchell, 15, of the Royal Manor Arts College on Portland and Tom Easterbrook, 12, from Dorchester Middle School will join him as MYPs.

Three Deputy MYPs will support the elected members. These deputy positions went to Imogen Barnard, 13, from Woodroffe School in Lyme Regis, Moya Dunne, 13, from Ferndown Middle School and Tom Summerbell, 13, from The Gryphon School in Sherborne.

by Tom Glover

West Dorset candidates who missed out were Delsie Urch and Molly Foster of The Sir John Colfox School in Bridport, Rebecca Mussenden of Budmouth Technology College in Weymouth and Charlotte Mansell and India Howard of Dorchester Middle School.

Cabinet member for children's services Toni Coombs said: "We are all affected by decisions made by local and national government and I'm delighted that, once again,

thousands of young people across Dorset have voted for who they want to represent them at the youth parliament.

"Congratulations to all the candidates for putting themselves forward and wanting to make a difference.

"I'm sure our newly elected MYPs will represent the views of Dorset's young people with passion and enthusiasm. I wish them all a successful and enjoyable year."

The MYPs and their deputies will take part in national and regional

sittings of the UK Youth Parliament.

All six members will work to deliver their own manifestos for the young people of Dorset and will also sit on the Dorset Youth Council known as DYCE (Dorset Youth Council Enables).

The UK Youth Parliament is a national organisation that gives 11-18-year-olds an opportunity to get involved in national and local decision making in Dorset. The election process is managed by Dorset

County Council's youth and community service.

Dorset County Council's participation youth worker, Shani Bancroft, said: "Dorset's UK Youth Parliament election results night is always an exciting event.

"These elections are taken very seriously by young people and I'm pleased that more schools are encouraging their pupils to learn about democracy and take part.

"As always, thank you to the local district and borough councils

for lending their polling booths and ballot boxes, and a big thanks to Sue Bonham-Lovett at Weymouth, who again led the counting of the votes and gave up time to help make the election a success."

Councillor Mike Lovell, youth champion, said: "It is great that so many young people show an interest in politics and participate in these elections. I particularly enjoyed their video manifestos - well done all."



■ FUTURE POLITICIANS: Elouise Mitchell (MYP), Moya Dunne (Deputy MYP), Imogen Barnard (Deputy MYP) and Tom Easterbrook (MYP)

## Efforts to be made to stop rise in accidental house fires

EFFORTS to stem the increase in accidental house fires have been made of "paramount importance" by the Dorset Fire and Rescue Service.

The topic was discussed at a meeting of the Dorset Fire Authority last week following a rise in accidental dwelling fires between October and New Years Eve last year.

Since the New Year a number of serious house fires have made the headlines. In January, a teenager in Abbotshury saved his neighbours family from a blaze at their home.

A week later a family of five were rescued from their £750,000 dream home in Salway Ash and more recently the owners of The Greyhound Pub in Beaminster escaped their property following a fire caused by a faulty toaster.

Chief Fire Officer, Darran Gunter, said: "Although there are no clearly identifiable trends in the increase in accidental dwelling fires, we are stepping up our

prevention activity to target as many of the at risk areas as possible.

"We are increasing our Community Safety Task Team activity and staff numbers within those teams to do so. We are also undertaking hard hitting media campaigns to raise awareness of some of the issues."

Chairman of the Fire Authority, Chris Bulteel, added: "In addition to those measures in Dorset, we are also carrying out regional fact finding with colleagues from the South West, some of whom also have issues around accidental dwelling fire increases.

"I have no doubt that the recent cold weather and economic factors play a part and we will be putting together a strategy to attack the regional rise together."

At the meeting the fire authority also agreed a small budget increase of 2.98 per cent. This means an increase to the average Band D household of 3.6 pence per week, or £1.89 per year for the Fire Authority's element of the council tax bill.

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## View profile

## The only thing Rebecca's gaining is members

“NEXT time, try not to overindulge Mrs King”, a throwaway remark from a midwife which proved the turning point for Rebecca's lifestyle change.

During her third pregnancy Rebecca's weight had become such a problem that it caused difficulties at the birth of her youngest son Lewis who was born weighing 9lb 11oz.

Since then, in just over two years, Rebecca has shed almost five stone and now runs the fastest growing Slimming World group in West Dorset.

“The midwife's comment stuck and I thought it's my fault I was big and it's my fault the baby was big,” she said.

“It was a nightmare and I thought I'm going to prove to myself that I can do this and just because I've had children I don't need to be big.”

As a child Rebecca had always been active but like many teenagers she succumbed to peer pressure and soon swapped sport for smoking to fit in with her friends, a habit which she also kicked

**THREE-years-ago, Beaminster mother of three REBECCA KING had seen her weight balloon to 16 stone and anything from a meal out with her husband to a walk to the beach became a challenging ordeal. Three years on and Rebecca has lost almost five stone, runs the fastest growing Slimming World group in the district and is helping over 80 members reach their weight loss goals. Rebecca spoke to View From reporter TOM GLOVER about her remarkable journey.**

with the start of her weight loss.

“As a child I was very active, very busy and very slim,” she said.

“I was always wanting to wear clothes that other girls wore but was too thin. So to go from that to being bigger is a real shock to the system. I used to really struggle.”

Rebecca had had reasonable success at Slimming World after the birth of her first child, losing over a stone before becoming pregnant for a second time.

“I did well but I wasn't really focused because it wasn't the biggest thing in my life at the time,” she said.

“I wanted to get back to how I was but I was really enjoying running around, snacking and

being a mum.”

After the complications at the birth of her third child Rebecca was determined to make a success of her weight loss.

Living at Skilling in Bridport Rebecca joined her local group at St Mary's church hall, its location making it easy for her to fit in around her life as a working mum.

Despite years of struggling with her weight Rebecca now realised that the answer was there all along.

She said: “Just eat a healthy balanced diet, that's all it is. It's about working out good foods. I've really enjoyed it and anyone who comes round to eat at my house, eats the same food as me. It's normal food but just

learning how to eat it. I used to get bored and just pick but now I know what to pick on that's not going to make me put on weight.”

In 2008 Rebecca re-located to Beaminster but was determined to keep her weight loss going. Without a group in Beaminster to attend she found herself driving to and from Bridport on a regular basis.

Slimming World became a huge part of Rebecca's life, where she would regularly stay behind to help pack up and chat with friends, despite her early morning shifts as a cleaner at Bridport hospital.

The leader of her group in Bridport, Rachel, then planted a seed in Rebecca's mind for a group in Beaminster.

“Rachel said to me ‘have you ever thought of doing this, you know how it works, you've lost the weight, you obviously love it because you're staying behind every night, so why don't you do it for you’,” she said.

Rebecca took her up on this offer and after a series of applications, interviews and training sessions she opened her own class in January this year.

The opening night of her new group coincided with heavy snowfall in Beaminster and Rebecca began to wonder if she would get anywhere near the target of 25 new members which she had been set by Slimming World.

On the first night there were 26 new members and by the end of the month the group had over 80 members.

At her first quarterly meeting Rebecca received the Ruby Award from Slimming World for attracting over 40 new members in the month of January and was also recognised for having the most new members in the whole of the district.

“To be able to let people know how much weight they had lost the next week was the best bit for me, when they came back and I said the weight loss this week is seven and a half stone they were just shocked. The next week more people came, we were in the Skyrms room instead of the hall and we only just fit in and I thought ‘what have I done’,” she said.

“It's really good because everyone is communicating with each other, everyone is from the community so they are all talking to each



other and the buzz in the group is unreal.”

Rebecca herself had reservations about returning to Slimming World for the second attempt. Her mother, who had agreed to join in support of her daughter, found herself sitting alone in St Mary's Church Hall leaving messages on Rebecca's phone promising to walk out if she didn't turn up.

Rebecca has no regrets now though and urges anyone struggling with their weight to give it a go.

“It's a no humiliation thing and everybody's welcome, it's a room full of people who are just friends you haven't met yet.

“I meet every new member at the door myself and I go through what you are doing and how to do it and I weigh new members not anybody else.

“You don't discuss how much you weigh ever, unless you want to. The only thing we ever discuss in our group is a weight gain or a loss

that week but if you don't want to talk about that you don't have to either.

“The group is a support group really. You sit and go through the week together and you just get loads of tips and ideas and support,” she said.

Three years ago a walk from Bridport to West Bay would have had Rebecca in tears but now she has found a new lease of life, which she enjoys with her young family.

“Now I'm a healthy non-smoker and back into activity again,” she said.

“I have loads more energy for the children, we all have bikes and quite often go bike riding and things and I love it.

“Losing the weight has changed my life loads. I'm more confident. If there is a conversation going on I feel I can join in whereas before, I wasn't shy, but I was more restricted and worried about what people would think of me.

“If I was going out for a meal with my husband or friends I would al-

ways panic about not having anything to wear and I would really worry about what to do.”

For Rebecca, attending the Slimming World group in Bridport became a night out she looked forward to and that was what she hoped to achieve for others in Beaminster.

She said: “Going to group every week and making it a social night really did it for me. I have made some life-long friends in Bridport and we had a really good time so hopefully people will get that from my group.

“My aim was to open a group and help people to lose weight and feel better about themselves, but also to have a social evening in Beaminster was really important as well and I've cracked it. It's been really good so far so hopefully it will stay that way.”

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If shopping in South Street there are a number of delightful Cafes close at hand. You can drop into Char Chars for a warm soup and a selection of gluten free produce and on fine days relax and eat alfresco in the outdoor seating area.

The Corner, The Gorge Café and Costa Coffee all serve good coffee and a selection of cakes or you can nip into the historic Nappers Mite for a snack.

If you plan to visit Goulds department store, head upstairs and stop off at Café 11 to enjoy a

cup of tea before resuming your shopping. Starbucks Coffee is just across the way and serves a variety of drinks and refreshments including a selection of sandwiches, croissants, cakes and muffins.

On Trinity Street you will find both Noah's Coffee Lounge and Taste.

A recent review describes Taste "as having a great vibe, always busy and the service is brilliant. It also has a great choice of food on the menu and they have a great kids menu with platters of fresh food."

Elsewhere, the Oak Room on Antelope Walk is ideal for morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon teas. The Oasis located in the Borough Gardens is a great stop off point if you want to grab a quick snack for the family while the children have fun in the park. Or why not try the new Town Mill Bakery next to Waitrose down Tudor Arcade, a great new cafe, come bakery that has recently opened.

And there's more...

A reviewer recently wrote about The Old Tea House on High West St – "I would recommend stopping in this beautiful 'olde worlde' cafe if you are looking for delicious food, generously sized portions, and reasonable prices. The staff are pleasant and helpful, and the place is lovely and clean."

The Horse With The Red Umbrella located opposite the Dorset County Museum has the same welcoming ambiance and serves fantastic cakes and teas.

Potters Cafe Bistro located on the quieter Durngate Street is warm and inviting. The Walnut Grove is located on the same street and is an ideally stop off point if are planning to visit The Dinosaur Museum.

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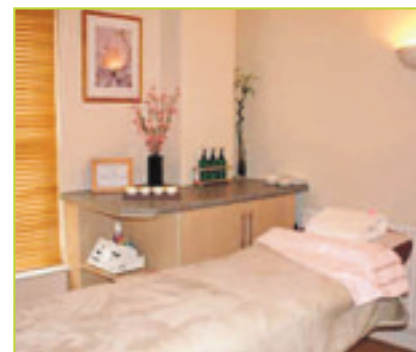
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Open six days a week at Antelope Walk you can telephone Stems on 01305 262460 and soon there will be a website available at [www.stemsofdorchester.co.uk](http://www.stemsofdorchester.co.uk).

Having had an exceptionally busy Christmas, more busy times are fast approaching such as next month's Mother's Day, so do talk to Joanne and her staff soon about those red roses and bunches of flowers! And then there's Mother's Day and Easter to be thinking about.



## Mirari

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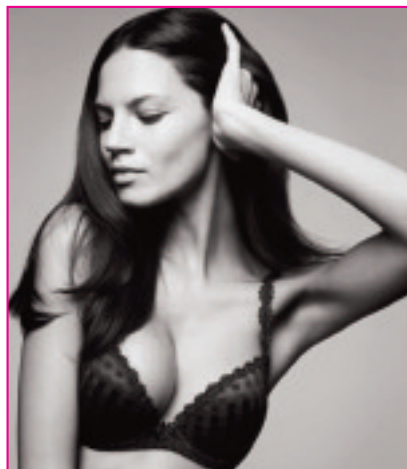
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## Dorchester County Museum

■ On Thursday 18 February at Dorset County Museum you can enjoy an evening with Bonny Sartin of The Yetties as he explores one of his favourite subjects – Smuggling in Dorset – through word and song. This promises to be a lively evening in the superb surroundings of the Museum's gothic-style Victorian Hall. Some tickets are still available from the Museum and cost £7.50. The event starts at 7.30pm and a bar will be available.

On Saturday 20 February, for one day only, you can see images of the Dorset Coast as you've never seen it before – through the lens of a microscope! Come along between 10am and 3.30pm to take advantage of this unusual activity. There will be an opportunity for people to try out various techniques of discovery and the active exploration of sand samples from the coast. Everyone is welcome.

Finally, a new exhibition opens at Dorset County Museum on Saturday 27 February. Entitled Dorset Footprint, it showcases recent works by Dutch artist, Peter Urmse. Peter was born in The Netherlands and graduated in Drawing, Painting and Printmaking from the



Royal Academy of Fine Arts in The Hague. Since moving to England in 1999 he has won wide acclaim with distinctive woodcuts, lino cuts and woodengravings of the Dorset landscape.

In Dorset Footprint, Peter depicts the landscape as seen on foot, finding that whilst as an artist he may look to leave his mark in the world, undeniably the Dorset landscape has left its impression in his work and being. This is a sales exhibition and entry is free.

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A particular feature of the property is the large sunny terrace, swimming pool and enclosed garden.

The property is mostly uPVC double glazed and benefits from gas central heating. The town can be reached from the bottom of Colway Lane via the pleasant riverside walk or alternatively using the handy town bus service which can be caught in Talbot Road.

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- Sitting Room
- Dining Room
- Conservatory
- Kitchen
- 4 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- Utility room
- Garden Room
- Enclosed Gardens
- Gas Central Heating

## LYME REGIS - £560,000



- Entrance hallway
- Cloakroom
- Study
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Kitchen/ breakfast room
- Utility room
- Master bedroom
- Four further bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Double garage
- Gardens

## UPLYME - £395,000



- Entrance hall
- Cloakroom
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- Kitchen/dining room
- Utility room
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- Family bathroom
- Gardens
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## LYME REGIS - £149,950



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- Kitchen
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- Parking

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- Conservatory
- Kitchen
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- 2 Bathrooms
- Utility room
- Garden Room
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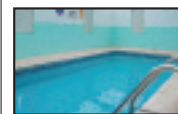
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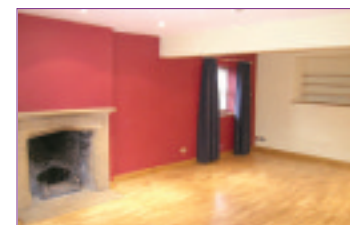
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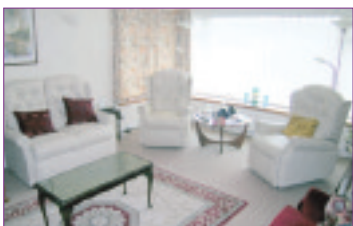
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# View 2

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## SHUNT

at the Bridport Arts Centre

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## View 2 Music

## Girls on top

IF THERE'S one thing the Yanks are good at, it's putting on a show. It might be overblown, too long and a tad self-important, but the Grammy Awards set the standard when it comes to music related knees-ups.

Last night's Brits show would have done well to have equalled the spectacle of its U.S. equivalent, which this year was its normal, bombastic self.

The show opened with flavour of the month Lady Gaga mixing with rock royalty in the shape of Elton John.

Gaga began her set with a performance of 'Poker Face' before one of her back-up dancers dumped her into a "Rejected" bin. She emerged covered in what I presume was meant to be ashes and sat down at a 'duel piano' across from Sir Elton, who was also covered in some sort of muck or other.

The odd couple dueted on a mash-up of her 'Speechless' and his 'Your Song', which certainly got the L.A. crowd warmed-up for the evening's entertainment.



LADY GAGA | Performing at the 52nd annual Grammy Awards last week

But the star of the night was undoubtedly Beyonce, who won a total of six awards – including Song of the Year for 'Halo' – and broke the record for the most wins by a female artist on the same night.

Not to be outdone, and making it a great year for the ladies, country-pop upstart Taylor Swift won four gongs – including the prestigious Album of the Year – and topped her night off by singing with Fleetwood Mac's Stevie Nicks.

Although I'm writing this before the winners are announced, you only have to look at the Brits nominees to see it's the same on this side of the pond.

The U.K. Top 40 has been dominated by female talent over the last 12 months. Whether it be the soul-inspired indie rock of Florence and the Machine or the electro synth-pop of La Roux, the girls have been on top.

For my money though, the biggest talent to emerge over the last year has been Little Boots. Her popstastic, radio friendly hits are simply irresistible. If you've been living on Mars and have no idea of whom I'm waxing lyrical, imagine if Kylie could write her own tunes and actually play a musical instrument, and you might be somewhere on the right track.

Boots – real name Victoria Hesketh – is also known for playing a tenorion, an intriguing Japanese electronic instrument, which is basically a grid of L.E.D. switches which you can manipulate to create, well, a whole musical landscape. It only adds to Boots' already obvious appeal, sadly overlooked by the Brits panel of judges who have nominated her for the grand total of zero awards. Idiots.

The year to come will see yet more women rise to the top of the pops.

Ellie Goulding – who I saw supporting Boots last year – is hotly tipped and won the BBC's highly regarded 'Sound Of...' annual poll as well as the Brits approved Critics' Choice Award. Her debut album Lights is out next month and last year's single 'Under The Sheets' was one of my favourites.

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MARINA & THE DIAMONDS | Welsh singer-songwriter Marina Diamandis

# Bridport Youth Dance perform SHUNT at the Arts Centre

THERE are still tickets available for their annual production at Bridport Arts Centre. Following on from last year's successful showcase SHUNT is an exciting collaborative production by Nikki Northover with award winning performer Niki McCretton, composer Andrew Dickson and singer-song writer Sammy Hurden.

Additional choreography is by Nikki Penfold, Louise Turner and Xavi Monreal.

Performances take place on Thursday 25th, Friday 26th and Saturday 27th 2010 at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £9 for adults and £6 for students.

Bridport Youth Dance is supported by Bridport Arts Centre, West Dorset District

Council, Bridport Lions, Bridport Rotary, Brit Valley Rotary, The Wakeham Trust, Bridport Police Ball and West Dorset District Community Fund.

To book your tickets phone BAC box office on 01308 424204



## Join the fun at Dorset Women's Day

AN action-packed day of free fun will be on offer at Dorset Women's Day.

Exciting workshops featuring belly dancing, gardening, photography, weaving, drumming, circus skills, knitting and much more will be on offer at the event at the Dorford Centre, Dorchester on March 6th.

The day has been organised by WAND, the Women's Action Network Dorset, to offer women a chance to network and try something new.

Sue Bickle, WAND Chairman, said: "It promises to be a lot of fun. We have lots of free workshops available so it is a great chance to try something you haven't done before."

"The theme of this year's event is resourceful women, so whether you are taking control of your finances, growing your own lunch or simply interested in trying a new hobby, there will be something on offer for everyone."

"At WAND we are a lively bunch interested in women's issues, socialising and enjoying ourselves. If you'd like to get involved visit our stand at Dorset Women's Day or find us online at [www.wand-women.org.uk](http://www.wand-women.org.uk)"

A free crèche offering places for 20 children will be available on a first come, first served basis. Three hundred free goodie bags will be handed out and lunch will be available at the Fat Belly Café, run by women from the Bridport area. Entertainment will also be on offer from the Ladies of the Lawn singers.

Dozens of stalls offering information about Dorset businesses, charities and public services will be on display. Among the exhibitors will be Dorset Police, Virgin Vie Cosmetics, West Dorset District Council, Treats Toy Library, Dorset Library Service and Transition Towns Dorchester.

Dorset Women's Day has been sponsored by West Dorset District Council, Wessex FM, Dorchester BID, Dorset Cereals, Dorset Squared, McCarthy and Stone, Olives et Al, Poundbury Garden Centre, ReplensMD and Vitabiotics.

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by James Coles



# A hilarious, madcap visual treat

**F**ORKBEARD FANTASY bring their latest production, 'The Colour of Nonsense', to the Marine Theatre this month.

View from's entertainment editor Rob Larcombe recently spoke to Tim Britton of Forkbeard Fantasy about the show.

## Tell us about Forkbeard Fantasy

"Forkbeard was founded by Chris (Tim's brother), designer Penny Saunders, and myself in 1974.

We specialise in very innovative, individual multi-media theatre, implementing film, cartoon, mechanised sets and puppetry.

All our shows are really colourful visual treats, combining more and more hilarious, madcap results. We were one of the first British theatre companies to use film as part of our performances, and that couple with the other visual elements creates a great show.

## Exactly what is The Colour of Nonsense

"The Colour of Nonsense is set in an art studio where things have been going down hill. Drastically.

Then, when all seems lost, a commission from a very shady character for a completely genuine invisible piece



comes in, and it seems their prayers are answered, until the piece goes missing!

While all this hilarity is going on, my character, a cartoonist who is supposed to work on this main new project, is secretly working on a comic book, which is unknowingly causing many of the strange goings-on.

"The Colour of Nonsense is a real tongue in cheek take on the contemporary art world, set 50 years in the future. It's got many levels, and really makes you consider how and why you see things as you do, and it really highlights the ever changing fashions in art, and the creative hurdles that artists

face.

"The story gives a huge nod toward The Emperor's New Clothes, and also Edward Lear – the Dong character is based on the character from his poem 'The Dong with the luminous nose'.

"The great thing about the show is that it really is accessible to all ages. The kids will like the bright colours and larger than life characters, and the adults will enjoy the story which really does make you think on many levels.

## What brought you back to Lyme

"We wrote and performed a piece for the Fossil Festival called 'Brontosaurus.' We are all interested in fossils, and there are few places better than Lyme and Charmouth on the Jurassic Coast to look at fossils. Having been commissioned to write and perform Brontosaurus, we really enjoyed our visit to Lyme, and when Ian (Stephens, Marine Theatre Creative Director) asked us back, we jumped at the chance."

**TIM and Forkbeard Fantasy** will bring 'The Colour of Nonsense' to The Marine Theatre on Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, with performances taking place at 7.30pm. Tickets are £10 or £8 in advance, and are available at Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre (01297 442138), online at [www.marinetheatre.org.uk](http://www.marinetheatre.org.uk), or on the door.

## View 2 TV

# Cowell blows a Gasket over talent

LIKE him or loathe him, you just can't ignore Simon Cowell - or his smash hit talent shows. But could one of the most recognisable faces on TV both sides of the Atlantic be starting to tire of the genre?

It's rumoured that midas-man Cowell is frustrated by the poor quality of acts auditioning for this year Britain's Got Talent. Nothing new there then?

The one act that sent Cowell into a frenzy was a 66-year-old who played a hosepipe connected to a toy penguin as a musical instrument.

Apparently Cowell told the 3,000 audience at the auditions: "I can't do this any more."

He stormed: "What the bloody hell? I am not going to be back next year. I am not kidding. I can't do this anymore. I am 50 years old."

Fellow judge Amanda Holden defended the act, saying the show was all about variety.

But she was quickly put down by Cowell, who retorted: "This is not what it is all about."

Other acts that had Cowell cringing was a stripping estate agent and a bizarre act involving a Shetland pony dancing to the Michael Jackson classic, Billie Jean.

A programme insider has described the run of contestants as "dismal" but there are hopes the standard will pick up before "Britain Has Talent" hits our screen. That'll be a first!

• **REPEATS** of American cult comedic sitcom Friends will no longer be shown on Chanel 4 or E4. When the last episode was made in 2004 it attracted over eight million viewers and the repeats have regular pulled in 400,000 viewers. But from autumn next year the sitcom, starring Jennifer Aniston and David Schwimmer, will be broadcast on Comedy Central.

A Channel 4 spokesperson said: "After 15 years, ten hit series and 236 terrific episodes, it's time to say goodbye to old Friends and welcome new ones."

• **SOAP UPDTE:** **EASTENDERS'** fans are getting very excited about the live episode this coming Friday. But what happens if it all goes pearshape?

Dierderick Santer, the show's executive producer, has revealed that there's a back-up tape of the show which will be slipped on if anything goes wrong.

The special live show is the culmination of EastEnders' 25th anniversary celebrations and will reveal who shot Archie Mitchell.

Santer told Inside Soap magazine: "We'll be filming the rehearsal, including the various versions of the reveal scene. That way - if something goes seriously wrong - to which the only alternative is BBC One going back, we can play the tape."

He claims that the tape will not be used to cover for actors fluffing their lines.

• **COMING** round just once very four years, the Winter Olympics provides one of the most exhilarating of sporting spectacles and this year is set to be the biggest and best yet.

With fifteen different sports and their associated disciplines, there really is something for everyone. But you are going to have to stay up all night to see any live action because of the time difference. But BBC2 will be screening highlights early every morning.

The tragic death of one of the competitors in Vancouver underlines just how dangerous some of these sports can be.

Great Britain is expected to win a handful of medals, especially in the curling. Excellent coverage over the next month on both BBC 2 and Eurosport.

by Philip Evans



WINTER OLYMPICS | Opening ceremony in Vancouver

# What's On February Half Term?

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## View 2 Cinema

Modern twist on  
Ancient Greek Gods

INSPIRED by the first of a series of novels by Rick Riordan, "Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief" (PG) is based on the Ancient Greek gods but with a modern twist. When teenage Percy (Logan Lerman) is accused of stealing Zeus' lightning, he begins a journey to find the real thief in an attempt to prove his innocence and save his mother from the deadly god Hades.

Disney's latest release "Ponyo" (U) will keep the children entertained this half term. Based on Hans Christian Andersen's fairytale "The Little Mermaid", "Ponyo" is the story of a young goldfish and her desire to become a human, with an impressive voice cast including Cate Blanchett, Matt Damon, Tina Fey and Liam Neeson.

James Purefoy stars in the 16th Century-based "Soloman Kane" (15), which tells the story of a brutal captain always at war. When Kane attacks a mysterious castle in order to steal its riches, he and his men are attacked by demonic creatures. Although he escapes, Kane turns to a spiritual life of peace and purity, but can he make it last when he is needed to save his friend from evil?

Released Friday, February 19th

"The Lovely Bones" (12A) stars Saoirse Ronan ("Atonement") as Susie Salmon – a 14-year-old girl who watches over her family and killer from heaven following her murder in the 1970s. Susie struggles with her feelings of revenge versus the desire for her family to recover from the tragedy. Based on the best-selling novel by Alice Sebold, "The Lovely Bones" also stars Mark Wahlberg, Rachel Weisz and Susan Sarandon.

Released Friday, February 19th

Four-time Academy Award nominee Jess Bridges stars in "Crazy Heart" (15) as broken-down country singer Bad Blake. Bad Blake has lived the wild life for too long, with a list of ruined marriages and a problem with alcohol, he reaches out for help from journalist Jean (Maggie Gyllenhaal – "The Dark Knight") who discovers the real Blake.

Released Friday, February 19th

by Francesca Evans



PERCY JACKSON | Logan Lerman takes on the Greek gods

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Fri - Thu (exc Fri 11.10): 11.10, 13.30, 15.50, 18.10

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Fri - Thu (exc Sun 19.30): 12.00, 15.30, 19.30

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**Fantastic Mr Fox (PG)** Sat: 10.05

**Planet 51 (U)** Sat: 10.15

**Up (U)** Sat: 10.10

**Avatar 2D (12A)** Sun: 19.30

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This beautiful piece has proved a favourite of audiences since it was first performed on New Year's Day in 1804. The highly talented Dorset-based trumpeter, Winston Leese, will play this classic.

To complement these major works, the choir will sing the fast and furious motet *Insanae et Vanae Curae* by Haydn, the much-loved Mozart *Ave Verum* and the hauntingly beautiful *Laudate Dominum* from Mozart's *Solemn Vespers* for which Weymouth Choral will be joined by the gifted young soprano Jenny Featherstone.

The concert will take place at Holy Trinity Church and starts at 7.30pm. Tickets, priced at £8 (free to under 16s) are available by phone on 01305 775644, by email [info@weymouthchoralsociety.org.uk](mailto:info@weymouthchoralsociety.org.uk) or on the door.

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14. Jovial (6)  
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18. Elevate (7)  
19. Map-book (5)  
20. Forecmeal ball (9)  
21. Distant (3)  
22. Unintentional (11)

## Down

2. Cover (3)  
3. Public (5)  
4. Decimal (6)  
5. Forceful (7)  
6. Every 3 years (9)  
7. Competence (11)  
8. Inessential (11)  
12. Raw youth (9)  
15. Ricochet (7)  
17. Colonise (6)  
19. Vigilant (5)  
21. Jollity (3)

Last week's solution

Across: 1 Pick; 3 Preserve; 9 Erases; 10 Twice; 11 Schoolmaster; 13 Riddle; 15 Master; 17 Discourage; 20 Enrol; 21 Verbose; 22 Ordinary; 23 Gilt.  
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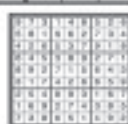
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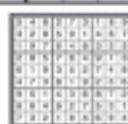
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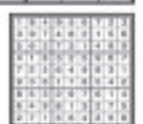
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## CIRCLEGRAM



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**FEBRUARY 17TH, 18TH, 19TH & 20TH**

**PRESTON:** Preston Pantomime Group presents Arabian Knights, by Richard Lloyd. At Preston Village Hall. Wednesday - Friday 7.30pm. Saturday 2.30pm and 7.30pm. Adults £5, children £3. Telephone 01305 837289 for more details.

**FEBRUARY 19TH, 20TH & 21ST**

**WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM:** Today and Yesterday: Exhibition of Life, Work and History in the Char Valley. The past and present in photos and documents from the parishes of Whitchurch Canoncorum, Stanton St Gabriel and Wootton Fitzpaine. At the Village Hall from 10am - 5pm. Entry £2, children under 16 free.

**FRIDAY FEBRUARY 19TH**

**CHARMOUTH:** Bingo at St Andrews Community Hall, Lower Sea Lane. Doors open 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm. All proceeds to St Andrews Community Hall. Call 07813513062 for more details.

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 20TH**

**BROADMAYNE:** Raffle, craft, plants, books, jigsaws, cards, local trout, sausages and eggs, cakes and preserves and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee. Held at St Martin's Community Hall (next to the church) from 10am - 12noon. All proceeds to St Martin's Community Hall. Call 01305 852886 for more details.

**BRIDPORT:** Coffee Morning and Table Top Sale in aid of SPRING (Supporting Parents and Relatives in Neonatal Grief) at Bridport United Church Hall, East Street from 10am - 12noon. Free admission. Tombola, raffle, books, bric-a-brac etc. Call 01308 458598 for more details.

**WEYMOUTH:** Coffee Morning and Table Top Sale in aid of Salvation Army's Orphanage in Port au Prince, Haiti. At the Salvation Army Hall, Westham Road. From 10am until 1pm.

**MONDAY FEBRUARY 22ND**

**BRIDPORT:** Managing the Cerne Giant - illustrated talk at Bridport United Church Hall, speaker Rob Rhodes, Head Warden Dorset National Trust. From 2.30pm. Presented by the Golden Cap Centre of the National Trust. Non-members welcome. Telephone 01308 863577 for more details.

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 23RD**

**BEAMINSTER:** Women in Agriculture - illustrated talk by Elizabeth Gale at Beaminster Museum, Whotcombe Road. From 3.30pm. All welcome. Telephone 01308 863577 for more details.

**FRIDAY FEBRUARY 26TH**

**LYME REGIS:** Tony Marriott to give presentation and judge competition at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. Organised by Lyme Bay Photographic Club. Telephone 01297 444733 for more details.

**BEAMINSTER:** Concert by Sherborne School for Girls Madrigal Society and Chamber Orchestra. Works by Purcell, Vivaldi, Faure and Britten. At St Mary's Church from 7.30pm. Tickets £6 from Church Office, 8 Hogshill Street, on the door or telephone 01308 862320 for more details.

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 27TH**

**LYME REGIS:** Coffee morning. Come and meet Dr Steve Bick, Labour Prospective Parliamentary Candidate over coffee. At Woodmead Halls, 10.30 am to 12.30, organised by West Dorset Labour Party, telephone 01305 854392 for more details.

**BROADWINDSOR:** Book and Jumble Sale at Broadwindsor School, refreshments available. Doors open 2pm, 50p entrance, children free.

**SATURDAY MARCH 20TH**

**BROADMAYNE:** Market 10 am - 12pm, St Martin's Community Hall Broadmayne, (Next to the Church) Raffle, craft, plants, books, jigsaws, cards, local trout, sausages and eggs, cakes and preserves and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee. All proceeds for St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Sylvia Dooley 01305 852886.

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**WEST BAY:** St. Swithuns Band Concert, St. John's Church, West Bay, 7.30pm. Tickets £5, plus raffle available on the door and at Harbour Stores, West Bay. All proceeds in aid of Haiti Earthquake Fund.

**FRIDAY APRIL 16TH**

**BROADMAYNE:** Market 2pm - 3.30pm, St Martin's Community Hall Broadmayne, (next to the Church) Raffle, craft, plants, books, jigsaws, cards, local trout, sausages and eggs, cakes and preserves and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee. All proceeds for St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Sylvia Dooley 01305 852886.

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The story follows a gang of 1 London bus mechanics on a road trip through Europe. After picking up a group of girls at the roadside the lads find a stowaway on board.

Their stowaway isn't quite what he seems and the group soon find themselves being pursued through the continent on their way to Athens.

The show promises to be an evening of great entertainment for all the family and the perfect way to wave goodbye to winter.

The show will be performed at Axminster Guildhall and will run from today, Wednesday, February 17th to Saturday, February 20th with a matinee performance on the Saturday.

Show times will be 7.30pm with a 14.30pm start for the matinee. Tickets are £9 adults, £7 children. To book phone 01297 33595 or visit Archway bookshop, Axminster.



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Nock has done away with narrative plot and subject and replaced it with the idea of an abstract icon. 'The Bedouins' she says, 'say that Allah took away from the desert everything - superfluous, leaving only the essential for the mind to meditate upon. Reduction of detail intensifies perfection: repetition generates power and energy flow.'

On thick canvases of linen, Nock paints thin-layered colour fields of oil: silvery-slate greys, greens of the palest olive, or blacks warmed by burnt sienna and umber.

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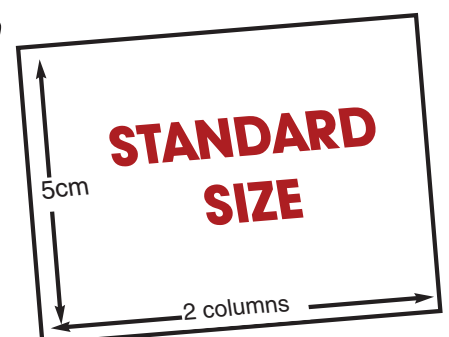
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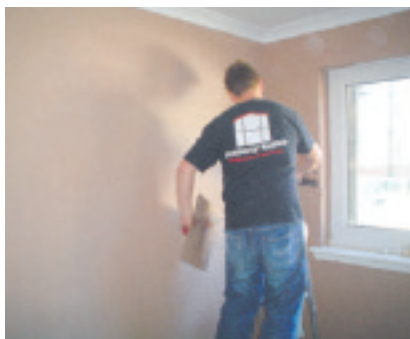
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performance. This also allows the car's service book to be officially stamped. "Once you have made the decision to buy a new Fiat car, you'll want it looked after correctly," says Rob Calver, parts and services director, Fiat Group Automobiles UK. "We believe we have developed a plan for our customers that does just that. "And what's more, it's free of charge for three years

for 500 and Punto Evo drivers, and stays with the car, even if the owner changes. The plans will keep customers' new Fiats fully serviced and, therefore, safe, economical and

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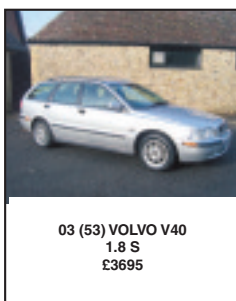
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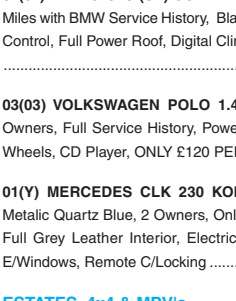
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## Hertz teams up with Nissan to bring electric cars to market by early 2011

*Hertz seals commitment to green car rentals through innovative partnership*

**THE HERTZ Corporation (NYSE: HTZ), the world's largest general use car rental brand, today announced it has entered a joint commitment with Nissan to bring zero-emission mobility to car rental in the US and Europe by early 2011. Under the terms of their Memorandum of Understanding, Hertz will develop a program for the roll-out of Nissan LEAF at select rental sites in those two major markets.**

As the world's first affordable, zero-emission car, Nissan LEAF ushers in a new era of eco-mobility that is in line with rising consumer demand across Europe. Designed specifically for a lithium-ion battery-powered chassis, the medium-size hatchback comfortably seats five adults and has a range of about 100 miles (160km) as tested by the LA4 Test Cycle, to satisfy real-world consumer requirements. The car will go on sale in Japan, the US and Europe in late 2010.

"The partnership with Nissan seals Hertz's commitment to green-car rentals and firmly demonstrates our mission to advancing zero-emission mobility on a global scale," said Mark P. Fris-

sora, Hertz Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "With unique solutions like the Hertz Green Collection already available to our customers, we believe in continuously providing innovative mobility solutions to sustain the growing demand for eco-travel," he added.

Toshiyuki Shiga, Chief Operating Officer of Nissan Motor Co., Ltd. commented: "Our partnership with Hertz is an important step towards our goal of promoting widespread acceptance of electric vehicles. Together with our Alliance partner Renault, we aim to be the leader in zero-emission vehicles which we believe are one of the best solutions for sustaining the growing need for transport across the globe."

The Renault-Nissan Alliance will start mass-marketing electric vehicles globally in 2012. To lay the foundations for widespread expansion, the Alliance has already formed partnerships with more than 40 governments, cities and other organizations in Japan, the US and Europe to advance the deployment of EVs worldwide. This includes developing a comprehensive charging infrastructure through public and private invest-

ment; incentives and subsidies from local, regional, and national governments; and public education on the individual and societal benefits of zero-emission mobility.

In the future, Hertz and Nissan plan to expand Nissan LEAF electric vehicles into Hertz's global car share service, "Connect by Hertz." By applying the same innovative model to car sharing, this would allow the Renault-Nissan Alliance to scale up availability and acceptance of electric vehicles

across a wide consumer base in some of the world's most densely populated cities.

"The flexibility and environmental credentials offered by the existing Connect by Hertz fleet presents an ideal opportunity for the expansion of electric cars into the car-share market," added Frisora. "With its performance and energy efficient technology, we're confident that Nissan LEAF will be popular with existing customers and help attract new eco-conscious motorists."



▲ The Nissan LEAF

## Don't be a victim of car crime, says IAM

**DESPITE alarm systems being fitted as standard and an increase in video surveillance over the years, the IAM (Institute of Advanced Motorists) has warned against complacency and given drivers advice on how to reduce the chances of a car break-in or theft.**

Peter Rodger, IAM Chief Examiner, said: "It seems obvious, but we'd still remind drivers, where possible, to park in a well lit, busy area with valuables out of view - and make sure your car has both an alarm and an immobiliser."

"Never underestimate the determination of some thieves: don't leave your car keys in a bowl or on a rack by the door - one of the most common methods of stealing a car is using a pole to reach through the letterbox to get the keys," said Mr Rodger.

If you have a garage, now's the time to clear out the ski boots and rolls of old carpet and make way for the thing it was built for - your car - although cars have got bigger over the years, meaning most of us have to park outside which affects both road safety and car security.

### More advice on avoiding car crime:

- Try to use a car park with the 'Park Mark' logo which means it has achieved basic standards of security - but remember that you

have no consumer rights in a car park and the car park operator has no legal responsibility whatsoever to protect your car.

- Thieves will break into homes to get the keys to steal a car. If your car is high value, check the security of your home.
- Don't leave the keys in the ignition when filling up your car with fuel or warming it up - remember your insurance could be invalidated if you do and your car is stolen.
- Don't leave a satnav fitting on display, and rub off any ring left on the windscreen by the suction pad - a thief will smash the window and go straight to the glove compartment to find it.
- Never store your car's documents within it and keep the glove box empty, leaving it open to make it clear there isn't anything inside.
- Consider fitting a vehicle tracking device to help track and find your car if it gets stolen.

Mr Rodger added: "The value of property stolen from your car may be relatively low, but the cost of repair to the car will be considerably more, not to mention the inconvenience, so vigilance and common sense could save you money and hassle."



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#### SOMERSET JUNIOR CUP QUARTER-FINAL

SOUTH Petherton had little difficulty in easing past Yeovil Premier League mid-tableers Milborne Port at Lightgate Lane.

Jody Bovey's 19th goal of the season gave Pethy and interval lead. The hosts' semi-final slot was confirmed when John Hayter took his tally to the season to a round dozen when he converted a 65th minute penalty. Petherton player-manager Karl Diment has clearly targeted this competition this year, he said: "It's been a long, long time since the club won the trophy. Personally, I've never made the final - the closest I came was a semi-final when I was playing for Martock, I really want to go all the way this time."

#### TOMMY TABBERER CUP QUARTER-FINALS

THERE was a shock at First Avenue as runaway Division Two leaders Millway Rise's 11-game unbeaten run was ended by Forton Rangers Reserves 5-3.

Things appeared to be going with form when Bryan Perryman gave Rise a 1-0 half-time lead. But a goal flurry in the first 10 minutes of the second period saw Rangers take a 2-1 lead before an own goal leveled things up. But the visitors weren't to be denied and gained revenge for a 2-0 defeat in the corresponding League fixture as they stormed through to lead 4-2 before Mike Knight gave the Devonians some hope. This was extinguished 10 minutes from time and Rangers ended a miserable run of eight away without a win.

Another of the promotion chasers was toppled at the Memorial Ground in Beaminster as Norton Athletic crashed out after a penalty shoot-out. The Norts were in control with a 2-0 advantage at the turnaround. Dan Pyett pulled one back for the hosts but the two-goal cushion was restored soon after. Enter Ross Pickett. The ex-Chard Town striker struck twice to force the game into extra-time.

But the teams couldn't be split and the Rainbows held their nerve the better to win the spot-kicks 3-1. With Beaminster manager Robin Ormsby currently on holiday in South Africa his assistant Pete Stone selected midfielder Nick Cowie as his Man-of-the-Match.

#### KENNY HODGES CUP QUARTER-FINALS

FARWAY United Reserves were given free passage into the semi-finals when Barrington Reserves failed to raise a team for the trip to Eastlee

Park.

A depleted Waytown Hounds squad travelled with just 10 players to face Ilminster A for the third time in five matches and were duly thumped 8-1. Luke Lazenby led the goal-fest with four and there were doubles for Josh House and Luke Woodard. Mike Ackerman scored a free-kick for the Hounds' consolation.

There was a nine goal ding-dong battle at Horseshoe Lane where visiting Chard United maintained their good form with a 5-4 win over Thorncombe Reserves. Stefan Coombes (2), Ricky Anderson, Kristian Rockett and Scott Miller scored for Chard with first team manager Gary Parsley (2), James Johnson and Brett Venn, with a 40-yard bullet, replying.

Richard White scored twice to take his tally to 13 for the season as Winton United Reserves edged past Hinton Reserves 3-2. The teams traded own goals and Kenny Forbes bagged the Saints other goal.

#### PREMIER DIVISION

AN 82nd minute penalty from Lyme Regis defender Malcolm Darby could prove to be crucial in the race for the Premier Division title.

Opponents Misterton had held the Seaside's goal less up to this point. But when Aaron Cleal's miscued shot looped over the Missy keeper Jack Flatt had no option than to handle to keep the ball out of the net. Flatt was red-carded - as he was in the reverse fixture on the opening day of the season - and Darby slotted home the spot-kick to send Lyme joint top with Beaminster and seal their nine successive away win. Seaside's manager Robin Townsend wasn't impressed, he said: "We were awful. That was the worst performance I've seen since I've been in charge here. We just couldn't get going and looked really rusty." Townsend's opposite number Adge Diment picked out Chaz Warren, up from the Reserves, and Ian Barker as his top performers.

It was celebration time at Charmouth as goals from Sam Burke and Shaun Meyers helped the Robins to their first point of the season after a 2-2 draw with visiting Crewkerne Town.

Crewkerne started well and were ahead in the second minute through defender Richard Crabb. But the Robins took flight and turned things around to lead 2-1 at the break.

Indeed, Meyers strike, his 10th of the season, looked to have won the game but a last gasp penalty from Tigers' skipper Jamie Spurdle ensured the points were shared. Charmouth manger Mike Walton was impressed

with his centre-back pairing of Andy Tipping and Paul Miners whilst Harry Charles was top man for the visitors.

Merriott Rovers netted their first away points of the season with a 3-2 win at Perry Street. Ben Stevens put Street ahead but Martin Russell leveled before the interval. The Mothers' top-scorer Kris Groves bagged his 13th of the campaign but back came the Rovers again and Tom Case scored the second equalizer. At this point the game turned on a pivotal incident when Perry Street had the ball in the net again only for referee Jeff Farley to rule it out for a foul - a decision which disappointed Street manager Darren Pinney. Salt was rubbed into the wound as Barry Hayne netted a late winner for Merriott who move up two places to seventh. Some consolation for the hosts was the performance of centre-back Stuart Larcombe.

"We've got a gypsy's curse on us!" joked White Horse manager Ian Pincombe as he saw his team squander two points after blowing a 3-0 lead against Ilminster Town Reserves at Symondsburry.

Despite going into the game short on confidence after an eight game losing run A Lee Quincy header and John Kingston gave Horse breathing space at the break. Quincy's second, a 25-yard screamer, seemed certain to have given his side a much-needed three points.

But Ilminster have a good record on the road and stormed back with goals from Scott Jennings (2, one pen) and Simon Manley. "I think we've forgotten how to win," added Pincombe.

Combe Reserves ended a run of four away defeats with a fine 4-2 win at Barrington. Phil Denslow (2), Dave Masters and skipper Jon-Paul Doyle scored for the Saints with Gary Stranger and Steve Reeks replying for the hosts.

Premier Division	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Beaminster.....	9	8	0	1	44	8	24
Lyme Regis.....	9	8	0	1	25	24	
South Petherton.....	8	7	0	1	41	6	21
Barrington.....	11	6	2	3	25	20	
Combe Reserves.....	12	6	1	5	28	19	
Ilminster Res.....	11	4	3	4	28	15	
Merriott Rovers.....	9	5	0	4	23	15	
Perry Street.....	12	4	2	6	24	14	
Crewkerne Town.....	14	4	1	9	31	14	
Misterton.....	10	3	3	4	17	12	
White Horse.....	9	1	7	14	26	4	
Charmouth.....	12	0	1	11	16	7	

#### DIVISION ONE

MARK Cawley's hat-trick fired West & Middle Chinnock to a crushing 7-1 win over Chard Rangers at Jocelyn Park.

lan Masters, Nick Eckland, Simon Hebditch and an own goal made up the magnificent seven as the Chinnocks surged back to the top of the table.

An Andy Fish strike for Ilminster Colts put a huge dent in Forton Rangers' promotion aspirations.

Meanwhile James Sayers was a man in form for Netherbury. Sayers struck twice in the first-half to put his side in control against Farway United who were on the road for the seventh time in succession. A 25-yard thunderbolt from James Salter gave the Devonians something to show for their travels. Netherbury boss was honest enough to concede his opponents were worth a point.

Pymore's 3-1 win at the Davey Fort sees them swap places with Lyme Regis Reserves who slumped to the bottom of the table.

Youngster Brandon Scadding opened the scoring after seven minutes and a defensive howler gifted Alex Goodrick with an empty net for the second on the half-hour. Lyme came into the game more after the restart and Ben Morgan struck the cross bar before Ryan Fifer made it 2-1 in the 61st minute.

But the win was sealed for the visitors by skipper Leigh Hansford 15 minutes from time.

Top performer for a very off-colour looking Seaside's was midfield anchor Luke Clifton.

Division One	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
W & M Chinnock.....	8	6	2	0	38	15	20
Merriott Reserves.....	9	6	1	2	22	14	19
Forton Rangers.....	9	5	2	2	16	12	17
Farway United.....	9	4	3	2	18	12	15
Ilminster Colts.....	8	4	3	1	19	16	15
Netherbury.....	7	3	3	1	18	12	12
Winsham United.....	9	3	2	4	21	10	11
Chard Rangers.....	11	3	2	6	19	38	11
Thorncombe.....	9	2	1	6	20	22	7
Perry Street Res.....	9	1	2	6	21	30	5
Pymore.....	7	1	2	4	10	19	5
Lyme Regis Res.....	7	1	1	5	13	25	4

#### DIVISION TWO

A FIERY encounter between Uplyme and South Petherton Reserves ended all-square at 3-3 at Venlake.

Pethy led three times through Dean Smith (2) and Dan Rogers but the plucky hosts kept pegging away and got a hard-earned, but deserved point with goals from Adam Neale, Gavin Fowler and Max Borgeat and ended an eight game losing run in the process.

Division Two	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Millway Rise.....	11	10	1	0	32	14	31
Norton Athletic.....	9	7	0	2	35	17	21
Dowlish & Don.....	12	6	1	5	41	35	19



SPOT-KICK: Malcolm Darby held his nerve to land Lyme vital win.



OPENER: Brandon Scadding helped Pymore off bottom spot



DOUBLE: Ross Pickett scored twice in Beaminster Res cup win

Shepton Beau.....	8	5	1	2	28	8	16
Hinton St George.....	11	4	2	5	28	22	14
Beaminster Res.....	9	4	1	4	17	21	13
S.Petherton Res.....	10	2	4	4	24	24	10
Forton Reserves.....	9	2	3	4	13	19	9
Drimpton.....	9	2	1	6	18	36	7
Chard United.....	9	2	0	7	14	40	6
Uplyme.....	9	1	2	6	14	28	5

#### DIVISION THREE

LYME Regis Bantams pulled one of the shocks of the day winning 3-1 at promotion-chasing Fivehead United. Jamie Jones gave the Seaside's a 25th minute lead. The hosts looked all set to level on the strike of half-time but Jimmy Larcombe pulled-off a fine penalty save for Lyme.

A Tom Bond cracker put the visitors in control before Kevin Church broke the Fivehead duck. But Neil MacKenzie's side weren't to be denied their three points and sealed the win when Jones notched his second ten minutes from time.

Hawkhurst overcame the loss of centre-backs Martin Bright and Lee Herrod through injury to net all three points as Glenn Harding scored the winner in a 1-0 win at Shepton Beauchamp Reserves.

Crewkerne Rangers beat Misterton Reserves with hat-tricks from Simon Denslow and Adam Tanner saw Rangers cruise to a 6-2 triumph.

Division Three	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hawkhurst.....	12	10	0	2	45	25	30
Misterton Res.....	12	7	1	4	34	30	22
Crewk Rangers.....	9	6	0	3	39	17	18
Fivehead United.....	10	5	2	3	20	17	17
Millway Rise Res.....	11	5	0	6	27	26	15
Lyme Bantams.....	10	5	0	5	29	22	15
Luso-Chard.....	8	4	0	4	31	25	12
Crewkerne Res.....	7	4	0	3	21	16	10
Combe A.....	8	3	1	4	15	19	10
Shepton Res.....	11	3	0	8	23	39	9
Chard Rang Res.....	12	1	0	11	14	59	3

#### DIVISION FOUR

MAN-of-the Match Stuart Weir's 13th goal of the season couldn't save Hawkhurst Reserves from a 2-1 home defeat by Combe B which gave the Saints their first away win for 15 months.

Division Four	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Winsham Res.....	13	8	3	2	51	36	27
Farway Utd Res.....	10	7	3	0	40	15	24
Waytown Hounds.....	10	7	0	3	44	23	21
Chard United Res.....	11	6	2	3	34	24	20
Ilminster Town A.....	10	6	2	2	31	21	20
Hinton Reserves.....	13	5	3	5	27	36	18
Combe B.....	15	5	1	9	49	48	16
Barrington Res.....	10	4	1	5	33	29	13
Thorncombe Res.....	11	2	2	7	21	34	8
Charmouth Res.....	11	2	1	8	12	56	6
Hawkhurst Res.....	12	1	2	9	22	42	5

## LYME REGIS SKITTLES LEAGUE

RESULTS for week ending Sunday, 1th February:

**LADIES DIVISION:** Deano's Divas 259 Smashers 296 (S.Light 57), Castaways 290 Bids & Babes 330 (H.Taylor 62), Wootton Wobblers 285 La Creme 264 (R.Parsons, A.Gillings 57), Abandon Ship 342 Rock-A-Byes 376 (A.Williams 75), Oh So Georgious 328 Generations 308 (L.Wellman 66).

	P	W	D	L	Pts	Beer
Bids & Babes.....	12	8	2	2	18	16
Smashers.....	12	9	0	3	18	8
Oh So Georgious.....	12	8	1	3	17	14
Wootton Wobblers.....	12	7	0	5	14	10
La Creme.....	12	6	1	5	13	6
Rock A Byes.....	12	6	0	6	12	15
Rollercoasters.....	12	6	0	6	12	10
Just Us.....	12	5	1	6	11	21
Hot Gossips.....	12	5	0	7	10	9
Generations.....	12	4	1	7	9	14
Abandon Ship.....	12	5	0	7	8	12
Deano's Divas.....	11	3	0	8	6	9
Castaways.....	11	3	0	8	6	8

**MISSING RESULT:** Castaways v Deano's Divas (December 17th).

Ladies Bob Sweetland Cup Round Two: Bids & Babes v Oh So Georgious, Just Us v La Creme, Wootton Wobblers v Rollercoasters, Abandon Ship v Castaways.

**MENS DIVISION ONE:** Clueless 316 Marksmen 378 (S.Beal 70), Rousdon Rebels 309 Cowboys 306 (J.Billion 61), Alleytwits 323 Flyers 355 (J.Parsons 66), Anthill Mob 315 Skippy's Six 338 (B.Aldridge 68), Roadrunners 329 No Hoppers 381 (J.Broom 78).

	P	W	D	L	Pts	Beer
Cowboys.....	13	8	0	5	16	18
Roadrunners.....	13	8	0	5	16	18
No Hoppers.....	12	8	0	4	16	11
Flyers.....	13	7	0	6	14	14
Skippy's Six.....	13	7	0	6	14	13
Marksmen.....	13	6	0	7	12	13
Anthill Mob.....	13	6	0	7	12	10
Rousdon Rebels.....	13	6	0	7	12	9
Clueless.....	12	5	0	7	10	9

Alleytwits.....13 3 0 10 6 13

**MENS DIVISION TWO:** Trappers 350 Wootton Tornadoes 383 (M.Bartlett 76), Hot Rocks 363 Willy's Wanderers 308 (S.Batey 64), Miscellaneous 362 British Legion 347 (R.Gapper 76), Shakers 304 Wreckers 350 (R.Beviss 62), Presidents Men - free week.

	P	W	D	L	Pts	Beer
Wootton Tornadoes.....	12	10	0	2	20	13
Hot Rocks.....	12	9	0	3	18	17
Wreckers.....	12	9	0	3	18	16
Miscellaneous.....	12	7	1	4	15	16
Presidents Men.....	11	7	0	4	14	10
Sherbets.....	12	6	1	5	13	12
Young Guns.....	11	5	0	6	10	15
Trappers.....	12	4	1	7	9	12
British Legion.....	12	2	1	9	5	6
Shakers.....	10	2	0	8	4	9
Willy's Wanderers.....	12	1	0	11	2	2

## COLYTON U15 1 UPLYME 4 Under 15 East Devon League Cup Quarter-Final

FIRST-HALF goals from Sam Jones and Jack Heath put Uplyme in control of Sunday's quarter-final cup-tie

However, Colyton responded and pressed forward requiring Uplyme's defenders - notably Callum Taylor, Will Ridout and Jamie Wellman to work hard and keeper James Dunford to pull out a couple of spectacular saves.

The second half began with Uplyme driving forward again and scoring twice more thanks to a powerful header by Pile and another goal from Jones.

Nevertheless Colyton fought back producing a fairly even second session with exciting play at both ends. Eventually, late on in the match, Colyton were rewarded with a late consolation goal.

Uplyme's Man of the Match was keeper James Dunford. Uplyme's next match is on Sunday 24th February at home to Honiton.



# BRIDPORT BOXING

## Boxing show is definately ON

DESPITE rumours to the contrary, Bridport Boxing Club's next tournament on Saturday March 13th is definitely going ahead.

Coach Alan Slaney was dismayed last week to hear rumours around the town that the club's next big night at Freshwater Holiday Park had been cancelled.

"Even Alan Davies in Thresher's, who are selling the tickets, said he had been told that it had been cancelled. I don't know where the story started but it is totally untrue. We have a full programme with boxers representing the Navy as well as others from Coventry and Plymouth as well as many of the local clubs."

Top of the bill is the Apollo light heavyweight Luke Whane who will be taking on one of the Navy's big boys, whilst Slaney intends to blood some of the Bridport club's young up and coming boxers.

"We've got some good young boxers in the club and this will be their first competitive bout. Also making his debut for the club will be Matt Nicholson. He's a 24-year-old heavyweight from Crewkerne and looks a good prospect."

Slaney also hopes to put on two ladies bouts, the first time ladies have appeared on the programme.

"We have some good lady box-

ers in the club who have been training hard, and I think I have been able to match them up with good opponents.

Slaney is not prepared to name them at the moment. "It will be a big enough night for them as it is being the first ladies to box on one of our tournaments. It is nerve wracking enough for the lads, and so I think it prudent at the moment not to name them, but they are good!"

Tickets for the event which starts at 7.30pm cost £15 each and are available from either Threshers in East Street or Timpson's in West Street. Bar snacks will be available on the night.

# BOB BUCKLER RACING

## Niche nicked on the line

BOB Buckler went through the emotional spectrum on Saturday when **Niche Market** was beaten a short head in the Aon Chase at Newbury.

Due to run at Exeter on Sunday against fellow Grand National entrant Paul Nicholls' Tricky Trickster, both horses switched to take on the formidable Denman when the Devon officials abandoned the chase races due to the state of the course.

Four fences from home there appeared only two in it as Denman and Niche Market led by five lengths. However the 1/7 favourite ridden for the first time by A P McCoy stumbled at the fence to leave Andrew Glassonbury clear of the field. Although he recovered a bad mistake at the tired from home unseated McCoy and it looked odds-on that Niche Market would win, but Trick Trickster put in a storming finish after the last fence to pip Buckler's charge on the line.

"I'm gutted," said Buckler. "I think Niche was in front too long and he began to idle a bit but he ran a super race. It was a fast run thing; the race was 7 seconds faster than the novices race, and he jumped very well."

"Denman was beaten. McCoy said the tank was empty before he made the mistakes so we looked to be in the clear. I think if the Nicholls horse had been with us at the last he would have picked up again and gone on but I think both horse and jockey may be thought the race was run."

"His aim is still the William Hill Trophy at Cheltenham next month before the national."

Both Niche Market and Tricky Trickster were installed as 12/1 co-favourites for the Grand National by the bookies after the race.

It was good to see **Double Dizzy** come back to some kind of form after he ran second to Duc de Regniere at Kempton in the Class 2 Betdaq The Betting Exchange Graduation Chase over 2 1/2 miles.

The nine-year-old gave another consistent display

in going down by 2 1/2 lengths but Buckler is still unsure what is his best distance and felt that wearing blinkers for the first time made no difference to his performance.

"Another good, consistent display. Probably his best run since Sandown last November."

He was ridden by 14-times champion jockey A P McCoy who felt like Buckler that he wanted better ground and that 2 1/2 miles was about his distance.

One who disappointed a bit was **Over The Flow** who was on the wrong end of McCoy's genius when beaten into second place at Wincanton by Topsham Belle last week.

Buckler wanting to take advantage before the 10lb weight penalty imposed for that ride ran her again at Kempton on Friday but after taking the lead two out weakened to finish fifth.

"I took the gamble to run her quickly, and unfortunately it was just too much for her on a fast track. She was up there with them and did stay on but it was just a bit too quick to run her again."

**Ready or Not** in only his third race ran a good race to finish fourth at Exeter on Sunday and but for a mistake at the last could have snatches second spot.

"He looked promising but he started to get tired and that's when he made the mistake which cost him second place," said Buckler. "Unfortunately his handicap will suffer for the run."

**Ethiopia** continues to show improvement despite his sixth place showing at Hereford on Sunday. Carrying top weight he battled on without getting involved in the finish.

Buckler said: "He was carrying top weight and the ground was quite dead but he continues his education and will go over fences next time."

Buckler had success at Milborne St Andrew's point to point on Sunday when **Different Trades** ridden by Jack Barber beat his grandfather's (Richard Barber) horse This That An' tother into second place.



**BASEMENT BATTLE:** Lyme Regis Reserves' midfielder Darren Poole is tracked by Pymore's new signing Simon Bendall in Saturday's Perry Street League Division One match at the Davey Fort. Pymore won 3-1. Both sides have crucial six-point relegation clashes this weekend with Lyme entertaining Perry Street Reserves and Pymore welcoming Thorncombe.

# WORLD SHOTGUN EVENT LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

ORGANISERS of the ISSF World Shotgun Cup are looking for volunteers to help out with the world class event when it comes to the Southern Counties Shooting Ground near Dorchester in just over three months time. They say the roles will play a major part in the success of the event.

This will be the first time the UK has ever held an ISSF Shotgun World Cup event, ranked only behind the World Championships and Olympic Games in importance, and with over 650 competitors from 85 countries together with their support teams and the large crowd of spectators expected, a huge network of workers are needed to ensure the smooth running of the event.

The competition runs between May 11th - 20th, and the organisers would like to hear from anyone interested offer in helping as soon as possible.

Tom Wenham, Sportworks Event Director said: "The experience for anyone who volunteers will be hugely rewarding. Opportunities like this don't come around very often, so I am absolutely certain that local people will want to get involved. This is far more than just a sporting event. It's an opportunity to showcase the area to the rest of the world, and I know that everyone involved will want to prove just how welcoming Dorset is to sports fans and tourists alike."

"This is an absolutely fantastic coup for the area. It's an enormously high profile event, particularly with 2012 around the corner. It should really help to put British shooting on the map, not least because it's a sport where we have some genuine medal contenders. Shooting is a sport that lends itself very well for spectators to come down because it's very visual."

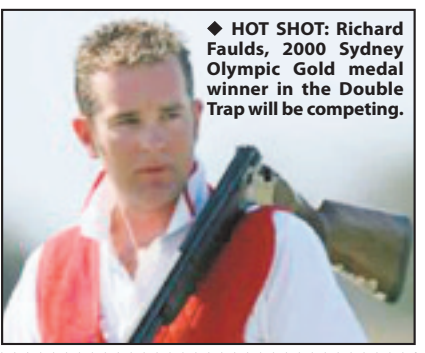
"We will be bringing in a lot of infrastructure. There'll be a lot of accommodation for the administrative staff and there will also be seating installed for spectators. We're very committed to using local suppliers where possible, and it'll boost the local economy considerably." This event has been chosen by the ISSF General Assembly as one of four Shot-

gun World Cup events in 2010 and is one of 64 world class events supported by UK Sport during the run up to the London 2012 Games.

It will have the three Olympic Shotgun Disciplines of Skeet, Trap and Double Trap, and will mirror the Olympic shot gun programme with Skeet and Trap competition for men and women, and Double Trap for the men.

If you'd like the opportunity to help out with a variety of jobs including event marshalls, drivers, meet and greet, information point assistants or catering assistants, contact event manager Stephen Minto from the organisers Sportworks on 0114 3603606.

UK Sport are supporting the event with up to £275,000 from its National Lottery funded World Class Events Programme, supported by Dorset County Council, Active Dorset, the South-West Regional Development Agency and Weymouth and Portland Borough Council.



# BRIDPORT TABLE SKITTLES

Division A	Pld	W	Pts	Beer	Division B	Pld	W	Pts	Beer	Division A	Pld	W	Pts	Beer
Jesters.....	14	12	55	12	Kens Prix.....	13	11	47	6	Tanners A.....	14	13	54	12
Second Hand Clock.....	13	9	46	10	Freds Heroes.....	14	9	45	9	Bellends.....	14	11	48	7
Eye of the Tiger.....	14	11	46	9	Five of Clubs.....	14	9	41	8	Who gives a Tuck.....	14	12	47	8
Chillieheads.....	14	7	39	6	Mucking Fuddlers.....	13	8	35	5	West Dorset Clubbers.....	14	11	46	11
Crown A.....	13	8	35	2	Baggies Boys.....	14	8	35	9	Time Wasters.....	14	9	39	11
Sally Mustangs.....	14	6	34	5	Fishermans Friends.....	13	6	34	7	Stickups.....	14	6	34	6
Whats the Odds.....	13	6	30	12	Consorts.....	14	6	33	9	Exiles.....	13	4	26	2
Oak A Nuts.....	14	6	30	3	Slingers.....	13	6	30	4	Catch of the Day.....	13	2	24	7
No Hoppers.....	14	5	30	7	Five Alive.....	13	5	30	8	The BBs.....	11	4	22	5
Crossshots.....	14	6	24	6	Upstairs Downstairs.....	14	6	29	8	About Time.....	13	4	22	5
Simpsons.....	13	5	23	4	George Gormets.....	13	4	24	4	Kings of Hazard.....	14	2	20	3
Classics.....	14	2	19	7	Crown Spares.....	14	3	22	4	Crown Handbags.....	12	2	17	3

# SPORTS NEWS IN BRIEF

- **SWIMMING:** Local swimmer Lauren Harrison; 12 competed in the opening weekend of the Somerset Age Groups 2010 writes **Steph Hallam**. She swam the 800m Freestyle event for the Chard & District swimming club and finished in fifth position.
- **MEANWHILE,** Jake Hallam (13) represented Chard and District Swimming Club at the Exeter City Level 1 Meet on the 23rd January 2010. In the 200m Butterfly Event he broke his own 14 yrs and under club record with a personal best time of 2.34.20.
- **HE ALSO** qualified for the 100m Butterfly in a South-West Regional time and achieving one silver and two bronze medals for his efforts.
- **THE SOMERSET** Age Groups will continue this forthcoming weekend.
- **BRIDPORT SKITTLES:** Cup fixtures for week beginning Monday, February 22nd:
- Mixed Pairs - 2nd Round Tuesday February 23rd Bridport Football Club**  
J. Malcolm & M. Locke, M. & L. Willcox, D. & M. Crabb, A. Paulley & R. Chubb, M. & E. Hooper, A. Swift & J. Smith, J. Symes & N. Paulley, C. Willcox & T. Cornish.
- Friday February 26th - Tiger Inn**  
C. Hopkins & C. Lambert, I. & D. Pincombe, M. Gudge & S. New-man, M. Hansford & M. Horton, P. Page & K. Johnson, D. & K. Way, S. Beal & J. Cake, D. & L. Cowburn.

# Local golf news and round-up

## FORMIDABLE TRIO LOVE THE CONDITIONS

**LYME REGIS** with Steve Percival Sunday, February 14th was not only a day of romance but it also gave Lyme Regis Golfers excellent weather and course conditions in which to stage their February "fun" event.

Played as 3ball better ball competition over 18 holes with full greens, the event saw an excellent turn out for this time of year. Inevitably the three quarter handicap aspect of the event favoured those with a lower handicap and this was reflected in the winning scores.

In first place, with an exceptional score of 80 points, were David Lock playing off 4, Rob Clapp, playing off 5 and Des Denning playing off 11. Whilst Lock and Clapp made most of the running for the team Des Denning

'chipped in' as required to perform a more than adequate supporting role. In addition David Lock scored a birdie two on the short eighth to put a further claim on the prizes.

In second place with a score of 75 points were Billy Wright, playing off 14, Stephen Priest (15) and Chris Brown (11). Playing as a well coordinated team they could have run the winners closer had it not been for a few missed short putts.

However, Wright was rewarded for his efforts with a birdie two on the eighth to claim a share in the 'twos' prize. Narrowly beaten on countback, also with 75 points, were Pat Duke (14) Peter Spiers (13) and David Hay (18). Spiers, with his excellent long game, was the mainstay of the team which was rewarded with another two on the eighth to give him a share in the individual prize

pot.

**Lyme Regis Ladies** by Ellie Langford February 11th

**Ladies Fun Competition**

IT was a bitterly cold day with a sharp north wind and freezing temperatures making play unpredictable.

Everywhere was so frozen that we had to play on 18 temporary greens. Nevertheless the ladies showed their resilience with the majority of them completing the round.

Winners were; Gloria Lott, Margaret Slater and Julia Collins (cb) 79pts

Lyme Regis beat Broadstone in the Legg Bowl 3up and are now in the Semi-Final. The team was Jane Southcombe and Anne Humphreys (silver pair), and Julia Collins and Jean Moss (bronze pair).



# BRYANT HITS SORRY TERRAS FOR SIX

## WEYMOUTH 0 BASINGSTOKE 6

Blue Square South - Attendance: 588

MITCHELL Bryant set a new Conference League record on Saturday when he scored all six goals as Basingstoke Town cruised past Weymouth to win at a canter.

Hapless Weymouth were saved from more humiliation when the striker was withdrawn 14 minutes from the end. It is the first time a player has scored six goals in a conference game in any division since the Conference League began in 1979.

Manager Jerry Gill must be wondering what he has let himself in for. Since the 3-1 victory over Lewes in his first game he has seen his charges concede 13 goals and score just one in reply in the following three games.

The sad thing about Bryant's haul was that they were probably six of the easiest goals he will score.

Gill made five changes including keeper Tim Sandercombe, on loan from Mansfield Town.

He became the third custodian in as many games after regular keeper Ryan Harrison left the club during the week following his axing by Gill after the Eastleigh game, whilst replacement on-loan Joe Welch only lasted one match before he returned home.

Sanderson hadn't touched the ball when in the third minute under pressure from David Pratt, he completely missed his kick leaving Bryant the easy job of tapping it into the net.

Despite the poor start Weymouth had a couple of chances to equalise but Pierre Joseph-Dubois and Josh Llewellyn might have made more of good chances before another debutant Dan Smith couldn't make good Joseph-Dubois poor effort on goal and shot wide.

Bryant had no problem finding the net, and he doubled the Dragons lead on 25 minutes when Pratt unselfishly squared the ball for his fellow striker unmarked at the far post to slide home.

He completed his hat trick three minutes before the break. Sandercombe managed to divert the unmarked Gary Frewen's shot on to the crossbar but Bryant pounced to slot the rebound home between two defenders stood on the line.

The Weymouth fans so desperate for success booed their players from the field at half-time with chairman George Rolls and Gill also receiving a lot of abuse.

Joseph-Dubois forced a sharp save from Barnard low to his left at the start of the second period, but chances were rare for the Terras striker, unlike Bryant who two minutes later held off a defender in a race to a long ball over the top of a static defence to beat the advancing Sandercombe.

On the hour Joseph-Dubois finally found a way past keeper Barnard but Miles Mitchell-Coop was on hand to clear off the line.

Bryant added his fifth on 61 minutes when he bundled home Frewen's volleyed cross from close range before completing the scoring when he had the easy task of scoring after Jahson Downes had flicked the ball over Martin Slocombe before cutting the ball back from the bye line.

It could have been more as Basingstoke squandered more chances before the fans let Rolls and his team know how they felt about their abject performance as the teams left the field.

Would it have been different had the Terras converted one of the early chances? It's doubtful such was the poor quality throughout the team.

## GROVES GRABS A POINT

### WELLING 1 DORCHESTER TOWN 1

Blue Square South - Attendance: 501

DORCHESTER Town maintained their recent good run with a hard earned draw at Welling United on Saturday.

With Welling having gone six games unbeaten before their meeting, manager Ashley Vickers will be pleased with a draw for his side who themselves have only lost once in their previous six matches, although it took a last minute penalty by sub Matt Groves to secure the point.

Vickers started with Warren Byerley, preferred to Groves, for his first game after recalling him from a loan spell at Bridport where he has scored three goals in three games, whilst a fit again Kevin Hill took his place in the centre of defence.

Byerley went closest early on heading just over the angle of the goal after Nathan Walker had headed on Gary Bowles long free kick.

However hesitancy between Walker and keeper Regan Coward led to Welling's goal in the 17th minute when Andy Pugh punished their hesitancy

in dealing with a bouncing ball on the edge of the box to take it past them.

The Wings' striker then beat Walker as he recovered but his shot struck the post and was partially cleared by Hill. However the ball was fed back into the box where Pugh was chopped down by Bowles.

Lee Clarke easily beat Coward sending the spot kick down the middle of the goal as Coward went to his left.

Dorchester were unlucky not to have equalised when Walker headed Devlin's corner against the crossbar and then had a penalty appeal turned down just before the interval when James Coutt's shot from Jules Emati-Emati chest down struck Jack Parkinson's hand as he turned his back.

Pugh was unlucky five minutes after the break when he chested down a left wing cross before swivelling and hitting a shot across Coward that struck the far post and bounced to safety.

Good chances were few and far between and the closest Dorchester came was a long range drive from Coutts from Emati-Emati's lay off that went wide of the right hand post, whilst Pugh had Coward flying spectacularly across goal to push away his fierce shot.

With time running out it looked as if, as at Chelmsford in the previous match, that the Magpies would get nothing for a workmanlike performance, but in the last minute of normal time Neil Martin chased Gary Bowles long pass towards the corner of the penalty area.

All Carl Jenkinson had to do was shepherd him away from goal but he clumsily knocked the Magpies substitute in the back and referee Mr Neil pointed to the spot.

Groves employed the same tactic as Clarke; driving his spot-kick high and down the middle as Charlie Mitten dived right.

◆ **Dorchester Town Supporter's Trust**  
**HOT NIGHT OUT WITH TRUST AT CURRY HOUSE**  
DORCHESTER Town Supporter's Trust are hosting a Curry Evening which is arranged for Thursday March 11th at the Masala Indian Restaurant in Dorchester with an 8pm start.

The cost of the evening is £15 per person and includes a menu of poppadoms and pickles to start, a main meal, rice or naan bread, a side dish and a glass of wine or pint of lager. Tickets and menus for pre-order are now available and are selling quickly.

As there are limited tickets available, please book early to avoid disappointment.

To book your place or if you require any further information please contact any Trust board member, telephone 01305 850099, e-mail [events@magpiestrust.co.uk](mailto:events@magpiestrust.co.uk), or visit our website [www.magpiestrust.co.uk](http://www.magpiestrust.co.uk).

## GORDON BANKS IN TOWN

THERE will be World cup winner gracing the Jewson Stadium this week. Ex-England goalkeeper and 1966 World Cup winner Gordon Banks will be the guest of honour at the Jewson Stadium on Friday (February 19th) for a Sportsman's Dinner.



Banks, who won 73 England caps and enjoyed a distinguished career between the sticks for Leicester City and Stoke City, is perhaps best known for his remarkable leaping save that denied the great Pele an apparently certain goal in the 1970 World cup encounter between Brazil and England in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Tickets are available at £50 (or £475 for a table of 10) to include a three course meal and champagne on arrival, plus a comedian and drinks promotions.

## Chip off the old block

**BRIDPORT 2 KEYNSHAM TOWN 1**  
**LES PHILLIPS CUP - Attendance: 82**

ALTHOUGH he will need to go a long way to match



■ **EASY:** Terras keeper Ian Sandercombe, having completely missed the ball with his kick, can only look back with embarrassment as Mitchell Bryant rolls the ball into the empty net. Bryant went on to create Conference League history as the first player to score six goals in a game.

his father's prowess as a striker, Chris Senior showed dad Trevor that he can score goals as well as defend them when he hit the winner that took Bridport into the quarter-final of the Les Phillips Cup.

Senior was making his first start since December 12th when he had to be replaced with a knee injury, and although not fully fit was forced into a n emergency striker role due to Warren Byerley being recalled by Dorchester Town.

He did however show plenty of his father's skill by cleverly sidefooting the ball on the volley over the prostrate keeper and between two covering defenders after Keynsham's gloveman Chris Astley had fumbled Dan Wise's corner straight after the interval where Matt Moors retrieved the ball and hooked it back to Senior.

Although Keynsham exerted a lot of pressure in the final quarter of the match, the Bees defence stood resolute to the extent that stand-in keeper Jamie Fry had very little to do in terms of direct shots on his goal.

In a match which Bridport were not as sharp as they were against Gillingham earlier in the week, they still showed composure and worked hard although a little leaden footed in the first half.

However they took the lead on 27 minutes when Moors was fouled on the corner of the penalty area. Wise whipped a low free kick into the danger area where Jamie Symes was first to react and volleyed home.

Keynsham struck back quickly and Kevin Williams clinically dispatched a volley past Fry after an attempted shot looped in the air off a defender.

Senior will be worried by the fact that Moors was carried off 15 minutes from the end after apparently damaging the lisame ligaments that kept him out until Christmas when his twisted his knee as he tackled back.

Wise could have sealed the match for Bridport late on with two one-on-one opportunities but Astley redeemed himself by thwarting him on both occasions.

Bridport will now be home to one of three Premier league sides which has yet to be decided. If it is Larkhall Athletic the match is scheduled for Tuesday March 9th or if Ilfracombe or Dawlish then the tie will be layed on Saturday March 13th.

◆ *The Bees are away to Portishead on Saturday (20th) and then visit Shepton Mallett next Tuesday (23rd) before receiving Westbury United on Saturday 27th.*

*The reserves entertain Holt United this Saturday at St Mary's Field and then play host to Weymouth Res next Tuesday.*

## Gills break Bees run

**GILLINGHAM TOWN 2 BRIDPORT 1**  
**Toolstation Division One - Attendance: 75**

AN unfortunate own goal saw Bridport's three game winning run ended when they went down at high-flying Gillingham Town after a first-half playing what manager Trevor Senior described as: "Some of the best football I've seen from any team that I have managed in my career."

Gillingham are the league's highest scorers and

they showed why when they went ahead on 10 minutes with skipper Dan Rodgers headed home at the near post.

However Bridport playing with great skill and verve equalised when Warren Byerley showed his prowess by swivelling on a pass and driving the ball home on 22 minutes.

Despite their superiority Bridport could not get the goal their play deserved, the nearest they got being a Dan Wise effort that flashed past the post.

Gillingham upped their game in the second half and showed why they are pressing for promotion, but the Bees defence stood resolute.

It looked like they would gain a well earned point until with 15 minutes left a long throw in deflected off the top of Ryan Hayter's head leaving Andy Suttle helpless.

## BRIDPORT 5-A-SIDE LEAGUE ROUND-UP

### Cummings nets five

WEEK 11 saw the league table get up to date with all the back matches being played along with the regular weeks fixtures.

The first game of the night was a real tight affair with Castle Utd beating Craggy Island 7-5. Next came TWO teams still fighting for places at the top end of the table - despite having just four men for the last five minutes Bayern Neverlusen beat Pineapple Utd 4-2.

Castle Utd then played their second game of the night but were completely undone by the show-boating skills of Roger Cummings of Audacious. Cummings scored five in what has been described as the best ever performance in this competition and Audacious won 8-3.

Craggy Island then played their second game and drew 3-3 with This is football thanks to an Andy Potter hatrick.

The next two games saw Samba Boys beat BBC United 4-2 and 2 Stripe Athletic gain much needed points as they beat Mutz Nutz 4-1.

The final game of the night saw an ill disciplined Samba team beat This is football 12-2.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Audacious .....	11	10	0	1	84	28	30
Bayern Neverlusen .....	11	8	1	2	72	42	25
Castle United.....	11	8	0	3	85	46	24
Samba Boys .....	11	7	1	3	71	34	22
Pineapple United.....	11	5	2	4	59	43	17
Craggy Island .....	11	4	2	5	43	59	14
This is Football.....	11	3	1	7	56	67	10
BBC United.....	11	2	1	8	41	70	7
Mutz Nutz.....	11	2	1	8	37	95	7
2 Stripe Athletic .....	11	1	1	9	48	80	4

### Leading Goalscorers:

Dom McAllister (Castle United) 27, Ben Clarke and Roger Cummings (both Audacious) 25, Matt Condliffe (Samba Boys) 23, Tristan Gale (Castle United) 20, Martin Bulman (Pineapple United) 19.



## WEST DORSET SPORT ROUND-UP

WITH STUART BROOM

## Dorchester boxing and multi-gym plans passed

DORCHESTER Amateur Boxing Club has received confirmation that plans for a new boxing and multi-gym on the Sawmills Site have been passed.

Ben Geyser, founder of the existing boxing club, reminisced with members about how far the club had progressed

since struggling to establish itself at its formation, "This is our biggest punch to date - what a way to start 2010 - we've certainly come a come way," he said.

"The boxers work long and hard. They give their all for the and have had some success winning many titles along the way.

"I am really proud to have played a small part in their lives and am sure they will relish working in plush new surroundings," he added.

Mr Geyser also added that the club had received another boost in the form of a donation from the Brian Murtagh Charitable Trust.

"I really feel that the new gym will create better future prospects for local youngsters within a safe and happy environment," said Mr Geyser.

The Reverend Jeanie Chubb, the club's events co-ordinator, said she was: "impressed with how far the club had come in combatting prejudices and in

setting aside voluntary time to raise funds for such a worthwhile goal."

Anybody interested in helping as a volunteer, fund-raiser or in joining the Boxing club should contact either Jeanie (01305 268769) or Ben (01305 832249).

## BRIDPORT SUPERLEAGUE DARTS

AN unfortunate unprecedented first befell Bridport men's team when they took on league leaders Bere Regis who boast seven county players in their side.

With a seven wins from seven matches it seemed unlikely Bridport could stop their march to the title and so it proved.

Having gone into the singles all-square at 2-2 after the pairs, they lost all eight singles matches.

They had lost the first two pairs matches but superb performances from Joe Carter and Graham Knight followed by Tony Brown and Mark Munro saw Bridport fight back. Although all eight singles were lost there were three good performances.

Chris Backhouse just lost 2-3 whilst Carter wasted a dozen darts to win before going down 1-3. Brown had the hardest job against Steve Penney who reached the last 64 of the UK Open, and although he played out of his

skin and hit a 180 in the process he just went down 2-3. The 2-10 defeat leaves Bridport in the bottom half of the table.

The ladies had almost as tough a task against second-placed Bere Regis.

Beckie Dedman made a welcome return to the line up and hit a perfect 180 in the pairs with Liz Vowles to earn a 2-1 win to put Bridport level following Helen Long and Jo Knight's opening pairs loss. A further pairs win for Bere Regis and singles defeats for Long and Knight left Bridport 1-4 behind.

Dedman then hit a winning 17.52 average to pick up a 3-1 win and Lady of the Match to give Bridport hope, but unfortunately defeats for Vowles, Elaine Ingram and Jan Collins left the final score at 2-7.

Bridport travel to Wimborne on Saturday with pick up times: Axminster 5.30pm, Chideock 5.45pm and Bridport at 6pm.

LYME REGIS  
DARTS LEAGUE

RESULTS from February 11th:

DIVISION ONE - George A 1 Rousdon Club 7, Nags Head A 8 Lamb B 0, Lamb A 5 Nags Z 3.

DIVISION TWO: Rubber Johns 6 Young Guns+1 2.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Nags Head A.....	14	14	0	0	95	17	28
Rousdon Club.....	14	11	1	2	87	25	23
George A.....	14	7	2	5	60	52	16
Lamb A.....	14	4	4	6	48	64	12
Lamb B.....	14	5	2	7	44	68	12
Rockpoint A.....	13	4	2	7	43	61	10
Nags Z.....	14	3	1	10	43	69	7
Nags Head B.....	13	1	0	12	20	84	2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rubber Johns.....	10	8	0	2	59	21	16
Royal Standard.....	9	6	1	2	46	26	13
Talbot Arms.....	9	6	0	3	48	24	12
Young Guns +1.....	10	4	2	4	44	36	10
Royal Oak.....	10	1	2	7	20	60	4
George B.....	10	1	1	8	15	65	3

◆ Stat leaders: 180s (top) Darren Herbert (Rousdon Club) 7, Terry Prowse (Nags Head A) 6, Matt Brotherton (George A) and Tony Young (Rousdon Club) both 5.



◆ ALL SYSTEMS GO: Ben Geyers (front, right) celebrating with members of the Dorchester Amateur Boxing Club after receiving the news that the club had been given the go-ahead for their new gym.

## RUGBY ROUND-UP

with KEITH JENKIN

## HONOURS EVEN AFTER DRAW AT DORCH

THE League programme should be reaching its closing stages, but in fact it has a little way to go as so many postponements have taken place.

I decided to take the long road to Weymouth to watch the club's local derby against league leaders Bridport, who won by 25-0, and with a bit to spare.

Sadly the Weymouth injury situation is deepening to the extent that they had no alternative but to withdraw their second side from its league game at East Dorset 2nd.

Seemingly it was not a day for second sides; for Lytchett Minster seconds conceded its home game against Bridport seconds early. The Fordingbridge 2nd /Dorchester 2nd game too was conceded by the home side and Dorchester awarded a walkover.

**DORCHESTER 17pts NORTH DORSET 17pts**  
NEUTRAL observers would probably have left the ground thinking that a draw was a fair result, after witnessing what was a good game of rugby football.

The home side certainly started the stronger, only to concede a needless penalty that allowed their opponents to set up an attacking position that culminated in a try between the posts by one of their midfield. The try was converted and, although the pattern of play was generally even, it was the visitors who increased their lead when Dorchester were guilty of not protecting their heel quite as they should have done. The ball was stolen, and Miller the poacher scuttled over for an unconverted try.

Now 12 points in arrears, it was essential that the next score was a home one, and that was indeed the case for, on the half-hour, Lee Harvey, playing in the centre, found a gap and crossed by the posts, making Jones' conversion kick an easy one. Jones duly goaled the try and the half ended with Dorchester 12-7 in arrears but not displeased, for they would have the breeze in their backs throughout the second half.

Dorchester had struggled in the lines out in the first period, with catcher and thrower occasionally singing from different hymn sheets. It

improved in the second, and their equalising score duly came.

Back rower Hawkins scored it, running over the North Dorset full-back in the process. This score remained unconverted and, although the home side now had the impetus seemingly, it was removed from them when the North Dorset open side intercepted and had the strength and the legs to reach the line, just.

The conversion kick went wide and, with time now running out Dorchester continued to attack. They reaped their reward with scant minutes left on the clock when full-back Read was on hand to complete a move that saw the ball carried the best part of 50 yards.

This touchdown evened the scores and all depended on the conversion. Adam Jones place kick slid agonisingly and narrowly wide however and the spoils were shared.

In the cold light of day, this result does not do much for the promotion aspirations of either side for, with about a half dozen games left, a slight gap has opened between the top two sides and the chasers, of which Dorchester and North Dorset are two.

It would appear that either Frome or Wimborne would have to implode to give others an opportunity. Having said that, Dorchester do play both promotion favourites before the season's end. Interesting times!

**WEYMOUTH Nil BRIDPORT 25pts**

CONDITIONS were ideal for running rugby at Weymouth, with the ground taking a stud and only a slight breeze to worry throwers and kickers.

The home side kicked off but the first chance fell to Bridport after just a couple of minutes play. They turned over possession on their opponents' ten yard line, who conceded a penalty.

The kick slid wide however and Bridport suffered a bit of a blow almost immediately when one of their centres went down with what looked like a serious injury. It all came to nothing however, for he resumed after treatment.

In fact it was Bridport who took the lead after ten minutes' play. From a scrum on the Weymouth twenty five in midfield, outside half Guylor made the initial break and put winger

Stubbs over in the corner.

The try remained unconverted and, although play for the ensuing few minutes was a little on the desultory side, and with no clear pattern emerging, it was the visitors who increased their lead with twenty five minutes gone.

After a good run down the narrow side had taken play close to the home line, they recycled, sent the ball wide to Idris Croft who galloped over halfway out. Lewis' conversion attempt rebounded from a post and Bridport led 10-0. They consolidated their position soon after.

Another run down the blind side set the position and, although they were pushed off their own ball by the Weymouth eight man shove, the ball was not cleared and a five yard lineout ensued. From it Bridport mauled their way over half way out, with number eight Blakesley, who had carried well thus far, coming up with the ball.

Again the woodwork had a say as regards the conversion kick but Bridport would have been satisfied with their 15 point lead.

At this juncture, Weymouth, who I felt had kicked away possession far too much hitherto, came back into the contest. Outside half Peplow made a good break to take play deep into the visitors' twenty five. The cover got to him eventually, but the defence infringed.

Quickly taken penalties and attacking scrum-mages followed as Weymouth laid siege throughout the final ten minutes of the half. The Bridport defence held however and good work by scrum-half Bullock, who caught his opposite number in possession at the base of a scrum, saw the ball cleared to the twenty five as the half-time whistle blew.

Weymouth caught their opponents napping a little at the start of the second-half. Full-back Lewis took the ball into contact and his position was not covered by a colleague.

A diagonal kick by Peplow found them out and set up a good attacking position. A knock on checked their progress however, and Bridport cleared. I thought Bridport had made the game safe after some fifteen minutes after they had taken advantage of mishandling in the home midfield.

They hacked on and got over but were adjudged to have been held up. A penalty was conceded subsequently and Weymouth kicked clear. The try that sewed the result up, came on the hour and followed an excellent break by stand off, Guylor.

He received rather scruffy ball in midfield, slipped his initial tackler and found a gap. He ran to within ten yards of the post and his offload found Croft who got over for his second of the game. Again the woodwork prevented the extras being added, but Bridport were now twenty points clear.

It became clear however that, although they were lacking a little in cohesion, Weymouth were conceding nothing. They had retained a considerable edge in the set scrums throughout and made several forays into the Bridport territory during the final quarter but these met with no success and the visitors had the final say.

From a ruck in midfield they turned over possession. Croft broke decisively and put replacement winger Wren, over in the corner. Bridport's place kicker, Lewis, will be probably renamed "Woody" in view of his affection for the Weymouth woodwork.

He struck his conversion kick well enough and I thought he was going to round off his afternoon by hitting the crossbar. It ducked just under however, leaving him just a little frustrated but his side pretty pleased with their afternoon's work.

Weymouth for their part, were suffering from a long injury list that prevented them from playing with over much cohesion. They scrummaged well but perhaps were guilty of kicking possession away.

I did think that they were more effective when they ran, ball in hand, at their opponents.

**PREVIEW**

THERE are a few "ifs, buts," and the odd "maybe" about the challenges that face one or two of the local sides on Saturday next.

BRIDPORT entertain BLANDFORD in the Dorset & Wilts League Division One (South) and should, on paper, gather the two league points, for their opponents have not had the best of

seasons and are very much in the bottom half of the table currently. I do remember that they bested Weymouth a few weeks ago however, although Weymouth were not at their best on that day, conceding too many penalties and being "kicked out of it".

I think Bridport will make home advantage count here, but they should take nothing for granted.

WEYMOUTH have a more difficult game in prospect altogether when they visit WARMINGSTER, whose pack of forwards is large and lumpy. If Weymouth move the ball away from the breakdown or point of contact quickly, then they should have no difficulty.

An arm wrestle would be playing into the home side's hands, as Bridport found out earlier in the season. Warmminster are having a pretty good season and are close behind their opponents in the league's fourth place. This one is probably too close to call, although Weymouth's long injury list will not help their cause overmuch.

DORCHESTER have the easiest game of the three local sides when they travel to DEVIZES. They put well over 50 points on the board when playing these opponents earlier in the season and I do expect them to win comfortably, and to maintain their very useful league position.

As to the second sides, Dorchester seconds face a pretty difficult "ask" against visitors Sherborne seconds, while Bridport seconds, who have only played a couple of times this year, will probably have as much as they can handle at South Wilts.

Weymouth seconds take on Dorchester thirds in a friendly game.

**FIXTURES** 20th February - Bridport v Blandford, Bridport 2nd v South Wilts 2nd (away); Chard 2nd v Bridgwater & Albion 3rd, Chard 3rd v Wyvern, Crewkerne v Castle Cary, Dorchester v Devizes (away); Dorchester 2nd v Sherborne 2nd; Honiton v Unknown Ineptitudes; Honiton Colts v Exmouth Colts, Sidmouth 2nd v Torquay 2nd; Sidmouth 3rd v Wessex 2nd; Weymouth v Warmminster (away); Weymouth 2nd v Dorchester 3rd.



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## INSIDE: Comprehensive local sports news round-up

### TREV: WE CAN GO ALL THE WAY

BY STUART BROOM

BRIDPORT manager Trevor Senior thinks that his side have a great chance of reaching the final of the Les Phillips Cup after his side won a well earned victory over Keynsham Town at St Mary's Field on Saturday.

Although the win now pits the Bees against one of three Premier League sides he still believes his side can win the cup.

"We can go all the way," said Senior. "That's not a throw-away comment; I really believe we have a great chance. I know we face one of three Premier sides in the quarter-final but anything can happen in one off games. On Saturday Odd Down who are in our league beat Bideford who were top of the table until Saturday."

Bridport have already caused upsets this season, beating Dawlish after a replay and holding Truro City in Cornwall in the F A Cup, as well as beating Brislington recently in the Les Phillips Cup.

Facing Larkhall Athletic, Dawlish or Ilfracombe in the next round therefore does not hold any real fears for

Senior.  
"We have shown that we are capable of beating higher opposition this season, including Dawlish, and so have no reason to fear anyone on our day."

After taking the lead early in the second half, Bridport had to hang on in the latter stages as Keynsham mounted a series of attacks to force a draw.

"It was a good win and I am very pleased. We were a bit flat footed in the first half and didn't appear to have the urgency as in previous matches. We didn't get close enough to them as we should have which gave them more room than I would like."

Senior was dealt two blows before kick-off with Warren Byerley having been recalled by Dorchester Town, and young keeper Andy Suttle required to play for his club Dorchester

U-18's.

Senior overcame the loss of Byerley by playing his son Chris up front with Matt Moors. The versatile Senior who was utilised by Ian Hutchinson last season as a striker gave a good performance, winning a lot of balls in the air as well as scoring the winner.

"Chris did very well, it's not his natural position and he tired before the end not having played a full game since before Christmas, but his goal proved invaluable and he took it well."

With Matt Moors injured and facing a number of weeks out with a recurrence of his knee problem, Senior might be forced to use his son as a makeshift striker in future weeks, although Dorchester have agreed for Sam Charles to sign dual forms to take the place of Byerley who will stay at the Jewson Stadium.

Charles has agreed to the switch and will sign later this week although he is not available this Satur-



**SHIPTON GORGE B**  
■ RIDING HIGH: Shipton Gorge B team who currently sit second in the Weymouth & District Table Tennis Division Two (from left): Richard Hill, Ron Tucknott, Jim Saunders, Dave Poole and Colin Davis.

day due to a family engagement.  
With neither Lee Cleal or Lee Cuff available, the Bees boss was forced to play defender Jamie Fry in goal.

"Jamie did well in what he had to

do, but to be honest we defended so well that he didn't have a real shot to save apart from the goal which he could not be faulted for."

With Senior struggling to find a re-

placement keeper with Suttle not available for around three weeks and Simon Evans still injured it looks like Fry has the job for the immediate future.

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